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NEW CRISIS IN SPAIN.

REPUBLIC WITHIN REPUBLIC.

MINISTER TO MADRID APPOINTED!

KING INCOGNITO.

Madrid, Apr. 17.
All is not well in Spain, though the Zamora Government is working feverishly to straighten out the situation. The Government's anxiety to avoid embarrassment by a "Republic within a Republic" is implied by the hasty despatch of two Ministers by air to Barcelona.

Their purpose is to persuade, if they can, the Catalonians to modify their alarming separatist determinations, which have hitherto been evinced by the unfurling of their own flag and the "legalisation" of their own national anthem.

They have also appointed a "Minister Plenipotentiary" to Madrid!

The Catalonians have been unresponsive to President-Elect Zamora's demarches, which emphasise their reluctance to sacrifice the opportunity as they did on the occasion of the short-lived Republic of 1872, when they agreed to await the appointment of a Constituent Assembly, which never met because the Monarchy returned.

Financial Policy.

The Republican Government's financial policy has been put into a nutshell by Senor Prieto, the new Finance Minister, as follows:
(1) All loan operations transacted by the Dictatorship will be respected.

(2) The Bank of Spain is supporting the Republican policy.

(3) The Government is satisfied that the stability of the peseta can be maintained by ordinary means. They do not intend to squander millions of pesetas in artificial bolstering of exchange.

(4) Ten per cent. of withdrawals from current accounts in the banks will be paid temporarily in silver in order to avert a possible shortage of notes.

Minister's Hopes.

Senor Prieto predicted that within a few days everything will be stabilised and everybody will imagine that the new regime has been in existence for twenty years.

It is announced to-day from Paris and Madrid respectively that France and Chile have recognised the new Spanish Republican Government.—*Reuter*.

"Duke of Toledo."

Paris, Apr. 17.
The Duke of Miranda, who has accompanied King Alfonso into exile, in a statement to the Press this afternoon, said that King Alfonso, who had adopted his incognito of the Duke of Toledo, wished to efface himself. His plans for the future, were uncertain. He did not know whether he would reside in England or in the South of France.

Infante Juan.

Gibraltar, Apr. 17.
Amid cries of "Long Live the King" from a crowd of Monarchist sympathisers, Alfonso's third son, the Infante Juan, left for Naples to-day aboard the Italian liner, Roma.—*Reuter*.

Barcelona, Apr. 17.
Labour and Republicans are at loggerheads over the choice of a new Civil Governor.

The National Confederation of Labour opposes the Government's nominee. Noisy mobs thronged the streets to-day, and released all prisoners. Business is completely at a standstill.—*Reuter*.

SIR THOS. LIPTON'S GENEROSITY.

£10,000 FOR POOR OF GLASGOW.

London, Apr. 17.
Sir Thomas Lipton has given another £10,000 to the poor of Glasgow, in memory of his mother.—*British Wireless*.

MOSLEY PARTY TO FIGHT LANCASHIRE SEAT.

FIVE BYE-ELECTIONS PENDING.

TORY RESIGNATION.

London, Apr. 17.
The writ has been issued for a bye-election at Ashton-under-Lyne, in Lancashire, which will have special interest as the New Party, organised by Sir Oswald Mosley, have announced their intention of putting up a candidate for the first time.

The bye-election has been made necessary by the death of Mr. Albert Bellamy (Labour), who gained a majority of 3,407 at the General Election against Liberal and Conservative candidates, the voting being 13,170, 9,763 (Con.) and 6,693 (Lib.).

Another bye-election will follow the resignation, announced to-day, for reasons of health, of Captain Sidney Herbert, the Conservative Member for the Scarborough Division of Yorkshire, N. Riding, since 1922. He is a son of the late Sir Michael Herbert, one time British Ambassador in Washington. He was private secretary to Mr. Stanley Baldwin from 1924 to 1927.

Three other bye-elections are already pending, including the St. Rollox Division through the death of Mr. James Stewart (Lab.) where a Conservative attack on a strong Labour seat is being entrusted to ex-Baile John Kennedy, a former member of the Glasgow Corporation, and the Ogmoo Division of Glamorganshire, caused through the death of the Lord Price Seal, Mr. Vernon Hartshorn.—*British Wireless*.

PIRATES ISSUE THREATS.

WARNING TO TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

Canton, Apr. 17.
As a sequel to the bomb explosion which occurred on board the tow-boat Tak-kee when nearing Chan-chun last week-end, the commander of the tow-boat received a threatening letter yesterday on arrival at Canton, which stated that the bomb incident should be regarded as a final warning that unless the "water-money" already demanded, was immediately forthcoming, further reprisals of a much more serious nature might be expected.

The owners of the Tak-kee tow-boat Company, in reporting the matter to Naval Headquarters, has petitioned for protection from the pirates.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

CHINA EDUCATION PROPOSAL.

EXCHANGE OF PROFESSORS WANTED.

Paris, Apr. 17.
The Chinese Government has sent a letter to the League of Nations suggesting that arrangements should be made for the exchange of scientists and professors between the Universities.

The letter says Professors in English Literature, Geography and Geology would be especially welcome at the Central University in Nanking.

The letter has been referred to the International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation, the Executive Committee of which has decided to express a most favourable opinion with regard to the proposal.—*Reuter*.

KING CAROL ACTIVE.

FINDS "NEW WIRE" AS PREMIER.

Bucharest, Apr. 17.
In a determination to secure a broad-based National Government, King Carol has played a most active part in the formation of the new Cabinet and has brought home a "live wire" in the person of M. Titulescu, Minister in London, who has formed a Ministry.

M. Ghika, former Minister of Rome, is the Foreign Minister. The former Premier, M. Maniu, the leader of the Peasants' Party, has become Chief of the Opposition.—*Reuter*.

FOREIGN OFFICE TACKLED ON SILVER PROBLEM.

CHINA ASSOCIATION ACTIVITY.

REPRESENTATIONS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA GOLD BASIS.

A growing disposition in influential quarters that a *laissez-faire* policy in respect of silver is intolerable and that some artificial aid by international action is needed, is referred to by Mr. O. M. Green in a commentary upon the annual report of the China Association, which deals with the silver question very fully.

The report says that: "On the subject of silver the Committee is in correspondence with the Foreign Office at the time of writing. It has received cables from Hongkong, and is endeavouring to ascertain what step H.M. Government has under consideration in regard to the matter."

After giving details of the prices recorded and observing that they threaten "an economic and financial crisis which that country (China) had no reason to expect, and which has seriously impeded the sustained effort of the Nanking Government to settle its political and economic troubles both foreign and internal," the report proceeds:

Pull Over Market.

"There must also be a change in economic and financial conditions in India to ease the burden of Government silver holdings there. These to-day lie as a pull over the silver market and threaten to check any recovery in the price of the metal, as the result of a closer approximation between demand and supply which the output for 1930 of 244,000,000 fine ounces does not seem to justify. China, the only country on a currency basis of silver, stands to bear the brunt of 'dumping' by other countries, and in view of the importance of her world trade, suggestions to stabilise the metal at a value in sterling cannot be looked on as fantastic or unreasonable."

Paris Meeting.

A meeting to discuss this question was held by the executive committee of the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, on February 20 of this year, when the Association was represented by Mr. S. F. Mayers. The following resolution was passed: "Having considered the effect of the fall in the price of silver on the economic situation of China and the consequent reduction of Chinese purchasing power at a time when too many other factors are exerting an unfavourable influence on international trade, the executive committee strongly recommends to all the governments which hold stocks of silver, or within the territories of which silver is produced, or which can influence the price of silver through their monetary policies, to enter into immediate conversations with a view to adopting, in consultation with the Government of China, the concerted or individual measures which can be taken to moderate fluctuations and to maintain silver in future on as stable a level as may be possible."

Open Mind.

At the annual meeting of the China Association, Mr. F. Anderson (formerly of Shanghai), said he had a feeling that the sequence of events was bringing the silver question more and more into the region of practical politics.

He attributed this to four principal factors (1) the debacle in silver which took place last year; (2) about the same time, the congestion of gold in America and France; (3) the inability of many countries to maintain their exchange on a parity with gold; (4) the continual strain in India in maintaining the rupee on a gold basis.

All these factors had created a general disposition to discuss currency questions with a more open mind than for a long time. And there was no getting away from certain broad facts—First, that silver has become a world commodity.

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The Nicaragua Outrages.

American Refuses Intervention.

CITIZENS' RISK.

Washington, Apr. 17.

On the ground that such a policy would "lead to difficulties and commitments which the United States Government does not propose to undertake," the Secretary of State, Mr. H. L. Stimson, through the American Legation in Nicaragua has made a startling announcement to American citizens in the country to the effect that Government protection is withdrawn.

The notification states that the United States Government refuses to undertake the general protection of American citizens. It advises all Americans who feel insecure under the protection of the Nicaraguan Government to withdraw from Nicaragua, or at least to the coast towns, where they could be protected or evacuated if necessary.

Those remaining in the interior will do so at their own risk. They must not expect United States forces to be sent inland to aid them.

The announcement is a sequel to the serious incidents in East Nicaragua recently, in which a

TELEPHONE SERVICE TO CANTON.

TWO DOLLARS FOR CALL OF THREE MINUTES.

Canton, Apr. 17.
The work of laying the long distance telephone cable between Canton and Hongkong is proceeding without a hitch, and there is every reason to expect that the first conversation over the line will be possible during the month of August.

It is understood that charges for a three-minute call will be H.K.\$2.00, or alternatively, \$2.50 Canton currency.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

number of American civilians have lost their lives, and American Marines have been killed in action against insurgents.—*Reuter's American Service*.

BIBESCO'S PLANE DESTROYED.

PETROL EXPLOSION AFTER CRASH.

Allahabad, Apr. 17.
It is learned that the disaster to Prince George Bibesco's plane occurred as a result of engine trouble. The plane made a forced landing and ran into a ditch.

The petrol tank exploded and the machine burst into flames, and was soon blazing furiously. The injured airmen who were all unconscious when rescued from the wreck, have been conveyed to hospital at Benares. Only Prince Bibesco has so far recovered consciousness.

The machine was burned out.—*Reuter*.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY ENGINES.

ROLLS ROYCE COMPANY TO BUILD.

London, Apr. 17.
It was stated at the annual meeting of Messrs. Rolls Royce that the Company will again build the engines for machines competing for the Schneider Trophy.—*British Wireless*.

FLUSHING HARBOUR.

QUEEN OF HOLLAND AT INAUGURATION.

Amsterdam, Apr. 17.
The Queen, accompanied by Princess Juliana and Prince Henry, inaugurated the new harbour at Flushing to-day.—*Reuter*.

MILLIONAIRE RECLUSE'S SECRET WEDDING.

THE SKELETON IN THE WENDEL CUPBOARD.

NANKING MISSION BEQUEST POSSIBLY AFFECTED.

RELATIVES ALIVE.

A startling chapter has been added to the weird story of the Wendel family and of the "House of Mystery" on Fifth Avenue when Miss Ella Wendel, the richest and loneliest woman in the world, last of five aged spinsters and thought to be the last of the Wendels, died a month ago.

She left an estate estimated to exceed \$20,000,000 (\$310,000,000) in value, and she made a bequest of \$312,000,000 to the Methodist Theological Seminary at Nanking, the largest sum ever left to an institution in China.

Legal Plans Threatened.

The revelations just made, however, are said to threaten all the legal plans for disposing of the vast estate to charities and for obtaining probate of Miss Ella's will.

She died believing herself to be the last of the race, but it is now revealed that John Gottlieb Wendel, Junior, who died in 1914 "an octogenarian and a bachelor" and who ruled his sisters with an iron hand, persecuting them when they sought to marry, himself contracted when young, a secret marriage which resulted in the birth of a daughter.

Descendants' Claims.

The descendants of this daughter are claiming a share in the huge fortune, which the Wendel family has been accumulating steadily in 200 years of dealings in New York house property.

This skeleton in the cupboard of the deceased multi-millionaire has been brought to light in the fishing village of Wickford, Rhode Island. There, on a bleak farm facing the water, investigators have discovered, living with her daughter Edna, aged 24, and her son Teddy, aged 21, a granddaughter of John Gottlieb Wendel Junior.

An Elopement.

It appears that during his college days the future recluse met a beautiful girl named Hanna Holt, of New Hampshire. In July 1865, after his graduation, he eloped with his sweetheart to East Greenwich, New York, where, on the 10th of the month, they were married by a justice of the peace named Stewart. A daughter, Bertha, was born to the couple on September 7, 1866.

Shortly afterwards the elder Wendel learned of his son's secret marriage. Furious, he confronted his heir with the alternative of "abandon your wife or lose your patrimony." John Junior acceded to his father's command and, in due course, he succeeded to the fortune of some \$10,000,000, which, though divided equally between his six sisters and himself, was so tied up as to leave control of it in his hands.

Embittered, he carried out his father's instructions in letter and spirit, persecuting his sister Bertha, perceiving her, and sending her another sister, Georgiana, to a sanatorium when she claimed the right to live her life as she pleased.

Unknown Daughter's Marriage.

It is now revealed that the recluse's daughter, Bertha, married Edward Davis, an ordinary seaman, in 1884, and that a daughter was born to them in March 1885.

This granddaughter of the eccentric millionaire was married at Boston in 1902 to Charles E. L. Hayward, and it is she who is now living with her offspring on the lonely farm in Rhode Island.

According to a story told at Wickford, the affair has a curious international flavour in that the wife of John Gottlieb Wendel Jun. had an aunt who married General Robert Blake, an officer in the British Army, early last century. Blake, it is said, died without making a will, leaving a fortune of \$3,000,000. It is stated that

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Bulls and Inners

From the Office Butts.

During the fifteen-minute crush on the ferry, it's a case of elbowing to the inevitable.

With fewer marriages in Hongkong, the outlook for manufacturers of toast-racks and pickle-forks is getting really serious.

"The Airman Scott, nearing the last lap of his flight, arrived at Bina yesterday on his way to Darwin to-day," says a contemporary. We understand, however, that he didn't arrive before he started.

Home Note:—One way of making an inexpensive burglar alarm is to train the cat to sleep under the mat.

This pending legal action on grayhound racing in Shanghai looks like a real dog-fight.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has been flying again. His opponents, however, say he'll soon come down to earth.

Health Note:—The best way to avoid a black eye is to keep your mouth shut.

A New York pastor has engaged a jazz band to play in church. For Heaven's sake!

Even the best of our motorists are apt to take a turn for the worse.

Too much sea-bathing is said to turn the hair red. This may explain the number of sandy coves about.

"Influenza Fox-trot" is said to be the title of the latest dance because it takes a lottery adjustment. In this, however, the saxophone gives way to the aspirin.

"Sagenion" is of the opinion population; it appears to be a case that the dollar must rise now that Texaco have silver pumps. That's the spirit!

Anticipated advertisement:— "For Sale. Three-piece ricksha. No Exchange!"

Aberdonians ought to be good boxers. They're usually so tight-fisted!

Paradoxical though it may seem, the girl who flares up easily doesn't usually make a good match.

The Minister of Labour in the new Spanish Government rejoices in the Christian name of Largo. Evidently there is no Spanish P.W.D.

We hope that the Government won't turn a cold douche on the Realty Company's fresh water plunge scheme.

A Hongkong man who has just returned from America says the effects of Prohibition are terrible. Staggering, in fact.

The low dollar has made it impossible for some folk to take Home leave this year. Many others are just naturally gloomy.

If Rotary extends its civic service activities to revolving the financial problems of the Colony in the minds of its members, the result might be a better annual turnover.

A contemporary made the King of Spain arrive at Gibraltar. However, he appears to gib at small places like that.

A man picked up on a club doorstep and sent to hospital, is believed to have got as far as, "It's not the heat, but the hu..."

Nature note:—Prickly pears are coming into flower, and the prickly heat may shortly be expected to develop. A good crop of water hyacinths is to be looked for, as well as water bilsters and water on the brain. Sunflowers are not much in evidence yet, neither is the sun. The sundown, appropriately, is flourishing. And morning dew is to be seen every where.

Anyhow, Alfonso admits that he left Spain for the good of the country.

If you want to know the finest way To make a pound or two— Sell Exchange. Do not bother what the others say, Sell Exchange. Never mind about your piece-goods, Nor your steel or paints or cheese, Your wire or glass or hard-woods, Canned fruits or bottled peas, Why worry over cabling, To Lancashire or Brum, For lower quotes, enabling, You to problems overcome? Why mess about with samples, When the prices change each day?

Look around at the examples, Of the men who know the way, To keep their bank roll mounting.

Selling money every day: Give up costing and discounting, Sell Exchange while yet ye may!

Let's have a brighter Hongkong. It only needs somebody to Lido the way!

There's one method of getting your own weight—just hop on the scales.

The man who has his clothing stolen after disrobing on the beach, has not much chance of redress!

Hongkong folk have known what drench warfare is during the past few days.

We hear of a lady who was struck by a new car and got her hubby to buy it.

A Revenue Officer knows a good thing when he seizes it.

Brighter clothes for men are forecast. What's most needed, however, is brighter men for clothes.

A novelist declares that a man who gives in when he knows he's right is very weak-minded. Or possibly married.

Why don't you join the Volunteers To do your little bit, And wear that tie that's all my eye?

And makes you look like "It?" The Sergeant Major's ready too To swear (you in) at once And in a month you'll pass his glance

Unless you are a dunce, Then meet the other fellows in Your chosen company, If you will stand them drinks my lad,

They'll stand you too, and see That when you go to camp and look

For space within a tent, That only half the usual tape Will on yourself be wont.

And if you really prove quite keen So as to earn promotion, You'll wonder why they all do join,

And pass along the notion, "Life is chiefly spade work And we fork out."

A film critic said he nearly asleep during a talkie recital. Better luck next time, perhaps.

"Black Eyes for Luck" the "unlucky" ones are called.

Elverpool is at home school. The pupils are teachers may forget to go to school.

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FATAL ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

LONG-TERM PRISONER DROPS
FORTY FEET.

Death terminated a daring at-
tempt to escape from the Victoria
Gaol on Thursday night when a
prisoner serving a term of twenty
years, endeavoured to gain his
liberty by first making a hole in
the roof of his cell and then trying
to climb into the compound down a
water pipe, to reach the top of
which it was necessary to span a
space of over ten feet. It was
while attempting to reach the pipe
by utilising an improvised rope
that the man lost his life, the rags
which he was using coming apart
and dropping him into the com-
pound, a fall of approximately 45
feet.

The attempted get-away was
made at about 9.30 p.m., but the
man's actions were observed by an
Indian warder on duty. Drawing
his revolver the warder challenged
the prisoner and it was then that
the latter fell, being killed almost
instantly.

It was revealed in a Coroner's in-
quest which was held yesterday
and Chancery Lane, he noticed a
man hanging from the roof. He
drew his revolver and shouted in
Chinese to the person not to move.
Just at that moment the man fell
afternoon that had the prisoner
succeeded in climbing to the ground
and then gained the yard proper
he could have walked over the
wall if nobody had seen him, this
being made possible by the present
building operations which are being
carried out in the Gaol.

Inquest Details.
Full details of the tragedy were
forthcoming at the inquest which
was held by Mr. Williams and a jury
at the Central Police Court yester-
day afternoon.

The first witness called was an
Indian Warder who was on duty
in the compound at 9.30 p.m. on
Thursday. Whilst patrolling the
vicinity of the "E" Hall, which is
at the corner of Arbuthnot Road
on the corner of a small projecting
roof on the first floor and then to
the ground, about two yards from
where witness was standing. After
moving his head the man lay
motionless. Witness then sounded
the alarm which was behind him.
The lights were on at the time,
there being two in the vicinity.
Witness did not fire his revolver.

The Coroner: Did he seem to
jump or did he fall? He fell down.
Mr. G. L. Buchanan, Acting As-
sistant Chief Warder, said that the
deceased, Cho Wai, alias Fung
Cheung, (intimidation and sending
a threatening letter), on November
19, 1928, by the late Chief Justice
Gompertz. On the first count he
was given three years' hard labour
and twenty years on the second,
the sentence being concurrent.

An Insecure Knot.
Continuing, witness said that at
about 9.40 p.m. on Thursday he re-
ceived a call from the gaol and on
arrival found prisoner Cho Wai ly-
ing face downwards, at the east
end of "E" Hall and at the entrance
of the tinmiths shop. He was
dressed in a pair of regulation
trousers and a shirt, and tied
around his chest he had what ap-
peared to be a piece of cotton
material knotted together. From
the East end of "E" Hall was hang-
ing another piece of rope about
eight feet in length.

The height from the roof to
where the prisoner was found was
52 feet. Witness produced the rope
which was found tied around the
man's body and expressed the view
that a knot had slipped under the
strain of his weight of 140 pounds.

The Coroner asked if witness
could say where the prisoner could
have got the rags.

Mr. Buchanan replied that
similar material was issued to pri-
soners from time to time for clean-
ing articles in their cells. It was
possible he had collected the
material issued to him as well as
from other prisoners.

Questioned as to the hole in the
roof, witness said that yesterday
morning he and the Assistant
Superintendent of Police visited
the cell and found a hole had been
made in the right corner of the roof.

JAPANESE VESSEL IN DISTRESS.

GENSAN MARU CAUGHT IN
AN ICEFLOE.

Tokyo, Apr. 17.

The s.s. Gensan Maru, chartered
by the Soviet and carrying 412
Russians and 140 Japanese fisher-
men from Hakodate to Kamchatka,
has wireless that she has been
caught in an icefloe since April
14, and is unable to extricate her-
self.

Though the ship's position is
precarious, apparently there is
no immediate danger. Provisions
aboard are reported to be plenti-
ful.—*Reuter.*

A mat and blankets were lying in
the right corner of the cell, made
up to represent the recumbent
figure of a man. In the opposite
corner was a quantity of tiles which
had come from the roof. The hole
was 15 inches by seven.

A Tight Squeeze.
The Coroner: It must have
taken him sometime to squeeze out
of that hole. How do you sur-
mise he could get up there?

Witness explained that the roof
was about ten feet from the floor
and above the door there were five
ventilation holes in which he could
have put his feet.

Chief Warder McLeod, who was
conducting the proceedings, infor-
med the Court that finger marks
were found on the wall showing
how the man had scrambled up with
the aid of the ventilation holes.

The Coroner: From that hole
you saw the rope tied?

Witness: The rope was tied to
a ventilation louver 15 feet from
the edge of the roof.

In reply to the foreman of the
jury witness said that there was a
rope fifteen feet in length from
the louver to the edge of the roof
and another eight feet hanging
over the roof. Witness thought
that the prisoner had tried to reach
the top of the water pipe running
down the side of the building. One
foot of rope was attached to that
tie around his body.

Chief Warder McLeod remarked
that the rope was about three or
four feet from the top of the pipe,
making it just possible for the man
to reach it. He could have stepped
on to the pipe and then climbed
down.

Foreman of the Jury: Even
then he would have landed in the
yard?

Coroner: Yes.

Could Walk Over Wall.
Foreman of the Jury: Does that
roof lead to the outside world?

Chief Warder McLeod explained
that there was a temporary roof
about twenty feet from the top of
the wall which led into Chancery
Lane and with the present build-
ing operations being carried out
there, if the prisoner had got into
the yard proper he could have walk-
ed over the wall if nobody had seen
him.

Dr. G. V. A. Griffiths, Medical
Officer of Victoria Gaol, stated that
the prisoner had a broken collar
bone and numerous bruises and
abrasions as well as a minute
fracture of the base of the skull.
The cause of death was a fracture
of the left ventricle of the heart.

When asked the cause of the
fracture of the left ventricle of the
heart, witness replied that it was
unquestionably due to transmitt-
ed violence.

Witness went on to give details
of the man's physical strength and
indicated that he was suffering from
heart disease, causing witness to
make a remark, on one occasion,
that violent exercise might cause
his death. He was just the type
that might suddenly lose confidence,
added witness. The fall was the
last thing that he could have stood.

In addressing the jury the
Coroner pointed out that there were
two possible things that might have
happened. When deceased saw the
Indian draw his revolver he might
have thought that he was going to
be shot and so jumped or he might
have fallen accidentally. It was for
the jury to decide which was the
more probable.

The jury returned a verdict of ac-
cidental death whilst trying to
escape from prison.

THE EXTRALITY QUESTION.

BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE
EXPLAINED.

Shanghai, Apr. 17.

Sir Miles Lampson is expected
at Nanking to-morrow from
Peking.

The Peking correspondent of
the *Sin Wan Pao* has cabled here,
quoting him as saying that the
question of extraterritoriality
could be settled if China would
accept the British conditions.
Otherwise, the settlement of the
matter will take some time.

The newspaper above referred
to reports that the British Gov-
ernment insists on the establish-
ment of new tribunals at the
various commercial ports, with
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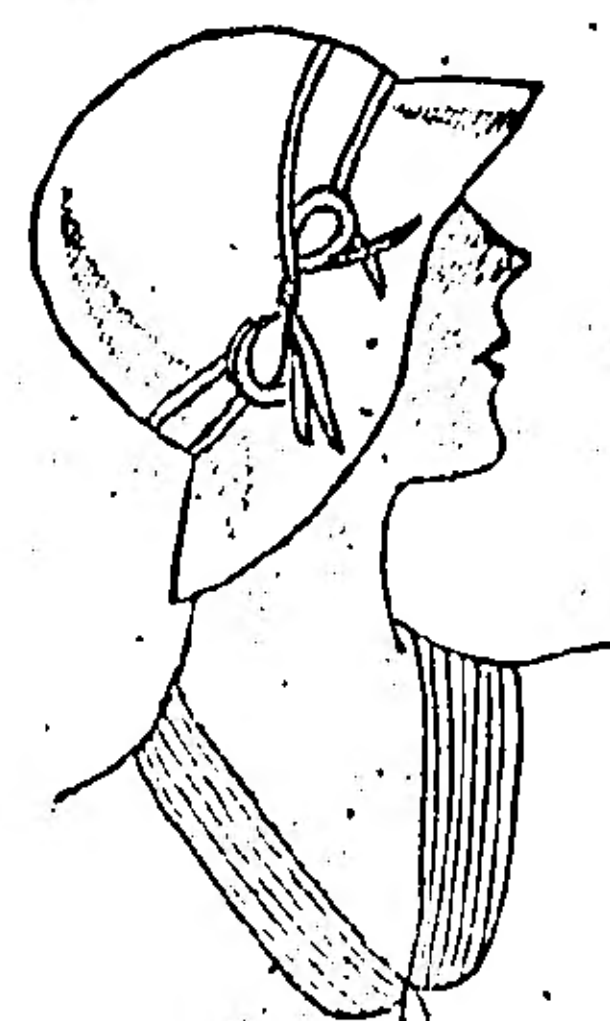
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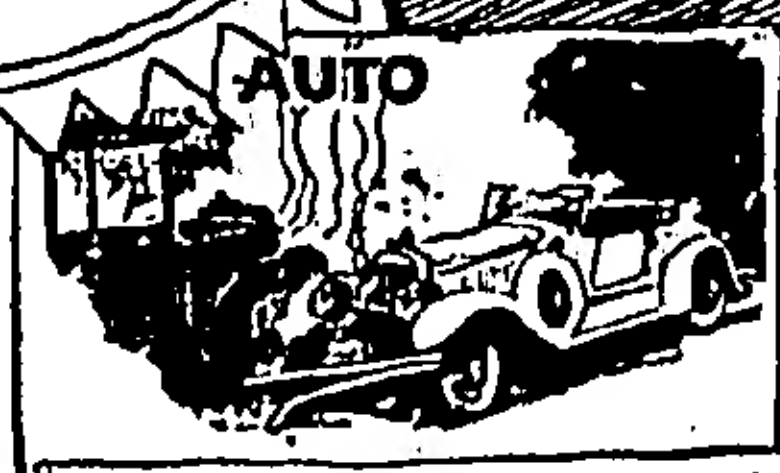
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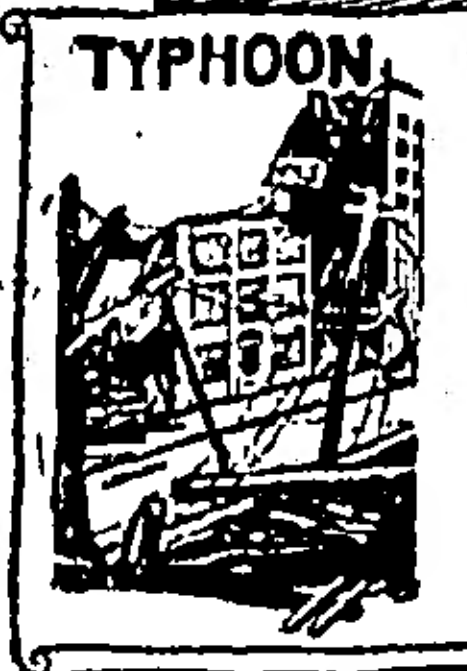
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The inquiry into the death of the thirteen-year-old Chinese girl, Ho Yau-kam, who was killed when the Yaumati Ferry launch Man Tak crashed into the Yaumati wall just after midnight on March 21, was concluded before Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The jury returning a verdict of accidental death.

Wong Chau-sing, the engineer in charge of the launch, said that when the vessel got alongside the Hongkong wharf, he put the engines astern and they had responded, but when he put them astern on the Yaumati side they failed to respond. He put the lever over, but the engines did not work.

Mr. Robert Hall, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor, said that he went on board the launch about an hour after the accident and conducted an examination. He tried the lever himself, with the same result as the engineer. He then put the reversing gear into hand position and shut the stop valves, opened the drain valves and then turned round the gear with the hand, and found everything satisfactory. The engines were again put under steam control and everything functioned in the normal manner. He did not think the engineer in charge could have done anything else on the spur of the moment.

Mr. C. Hamilton, Assistant Government Marine Surveyor, said that on March 24 he tried the reversing engine on half power steam, and it would not work. He raised the steam to 120 lbs. and then operated the reversing engine and found everything satisfactory. The reversing engine was opened up for his inspection on March 25, but he failed to find any mechanical defect. A day or two later he took the launch out for a trial run, and had the reversing engine operated by the first and second engineers, but

MISSIONARY HELD BY BANDITS.

AMERICAN LEGATION MAY SEND TO RESCUE.

Peking, Apr. 17. Mrs. A. G. Lindholm has telegraphed from Kalgan saying that bandits captured her husband near Paotouchen yesterday afternoon and are demanding the payment of \$2,500 before Saturday.

Mr. A. G. Lindholm belongs to the Scandinavian Alliance Mission of North America, and the American Legation has telegraphed to the Chairman of the Saiyuan province to do everything possible to effect a rescue.

It is thought possible that the Legation may send someone to assist in the rescue as was done in the case of Mr. Hayward and another missionary in November last. —Reuter.

could not find anything wrong with it.

He, however, suggested three causes for the failure of the engine to respond on the night of the accident. The first was that the steam came over the valve, when it should have come under it; the second was that the locking device might have been screwed up; and the third the presence of water in the reversing engine or the steam pipe. The last was the most probable cause. The water might have got there from the boiler. In his opinion, it was an accident that might have happened without throwing the blame on anybody.

Mr. E. Purves, consulting engineer to the Ferry company, agreed with what Mr. Hamilton had suggested as the probable cause of the accident. Referring to another accident in which this same vessel had been involved in July last, he said that it was from quite a different cause. He was of the opinion that this accident was one which happened once in a lifetime, and which could not be accounted for.

The jury, after retiring for a few minutes, returned the aforesaid verdict.

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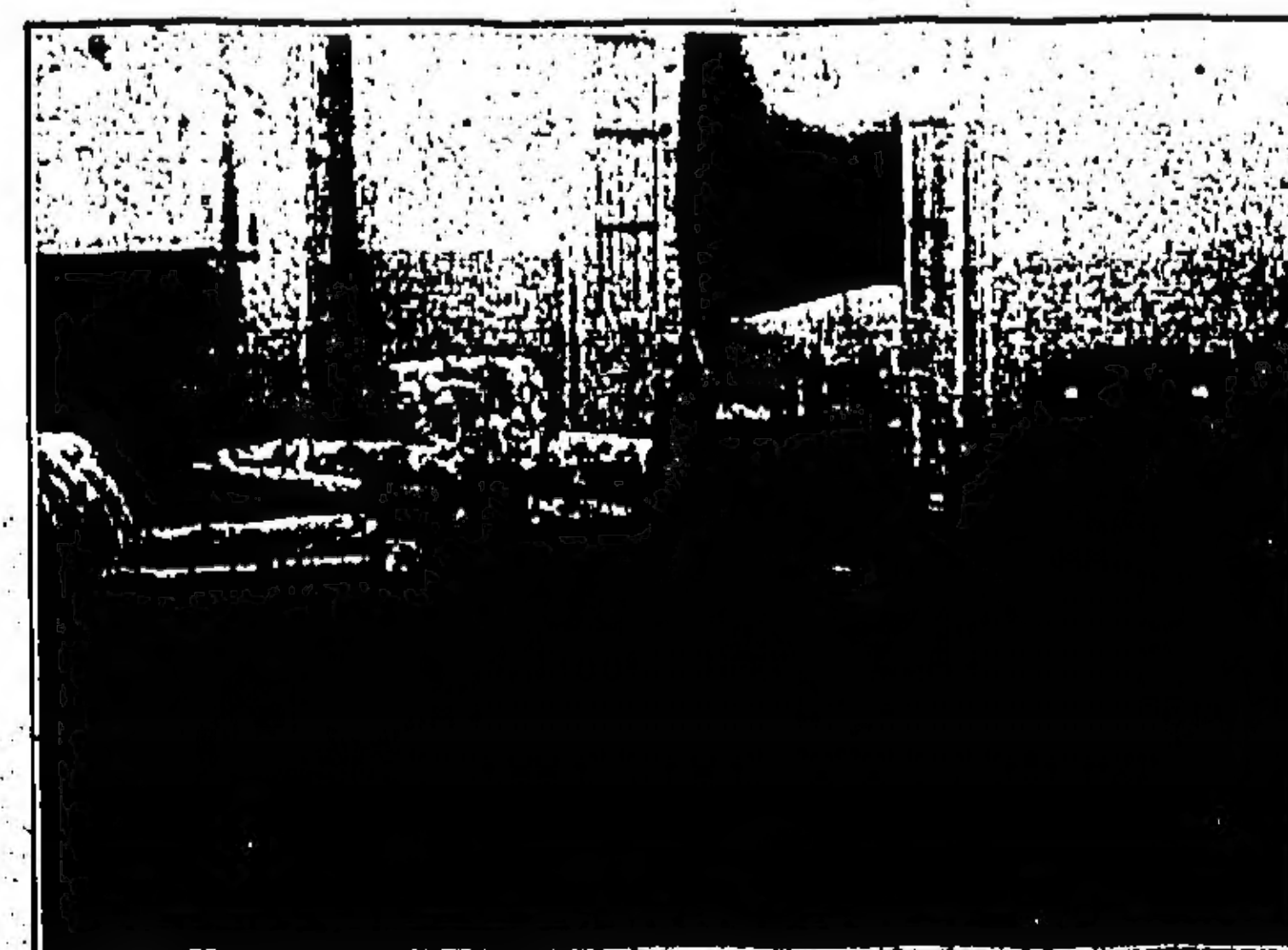
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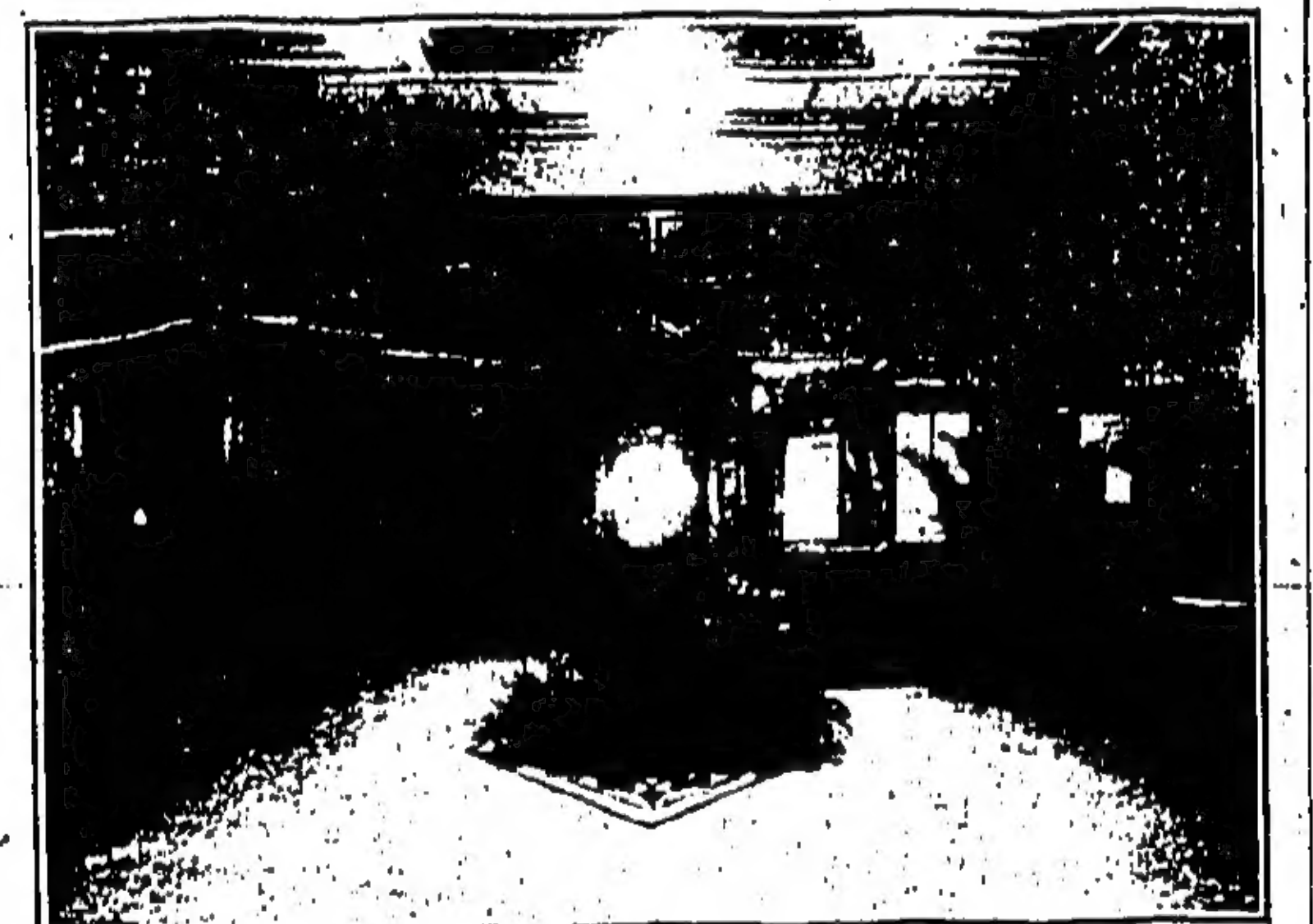


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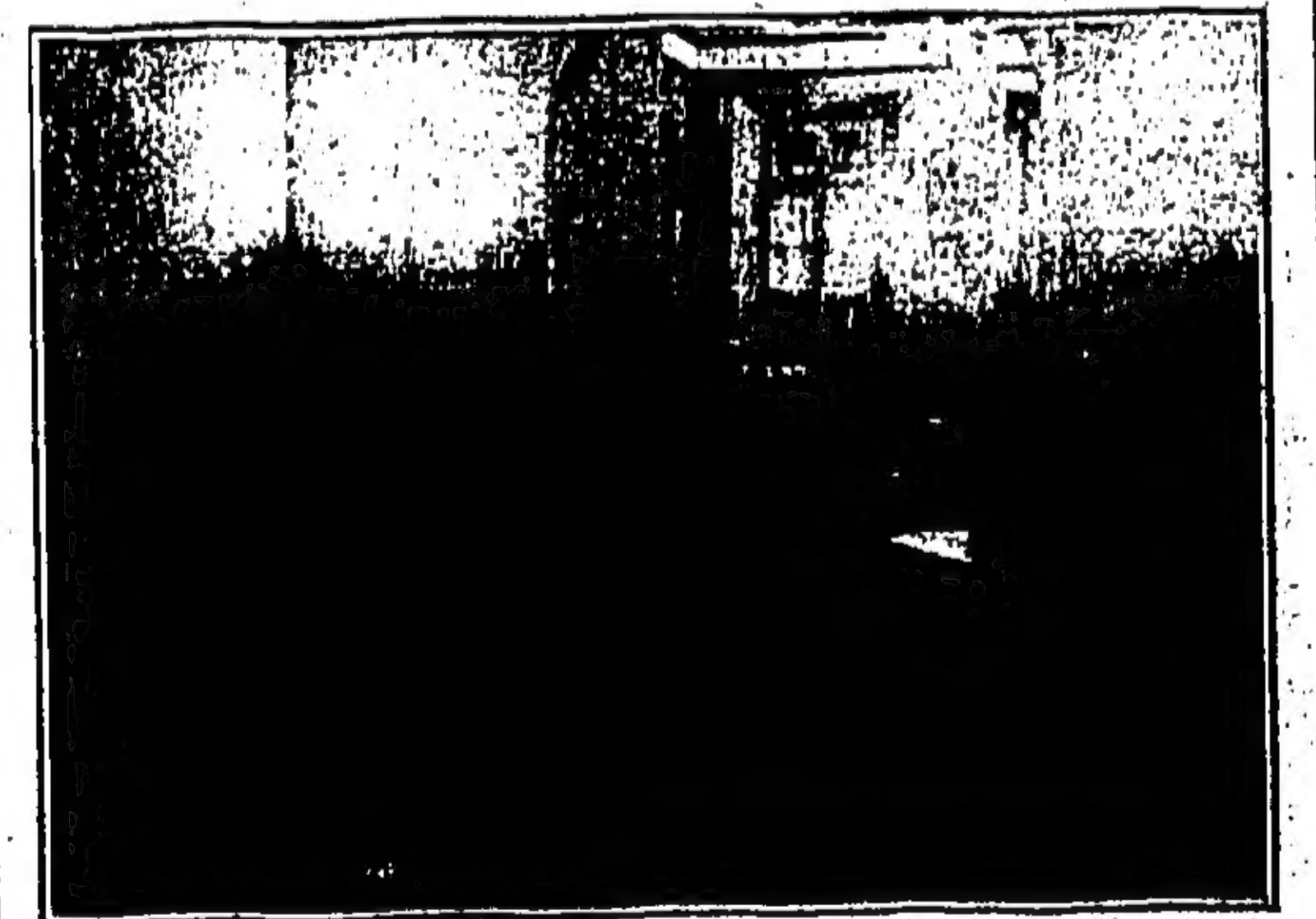
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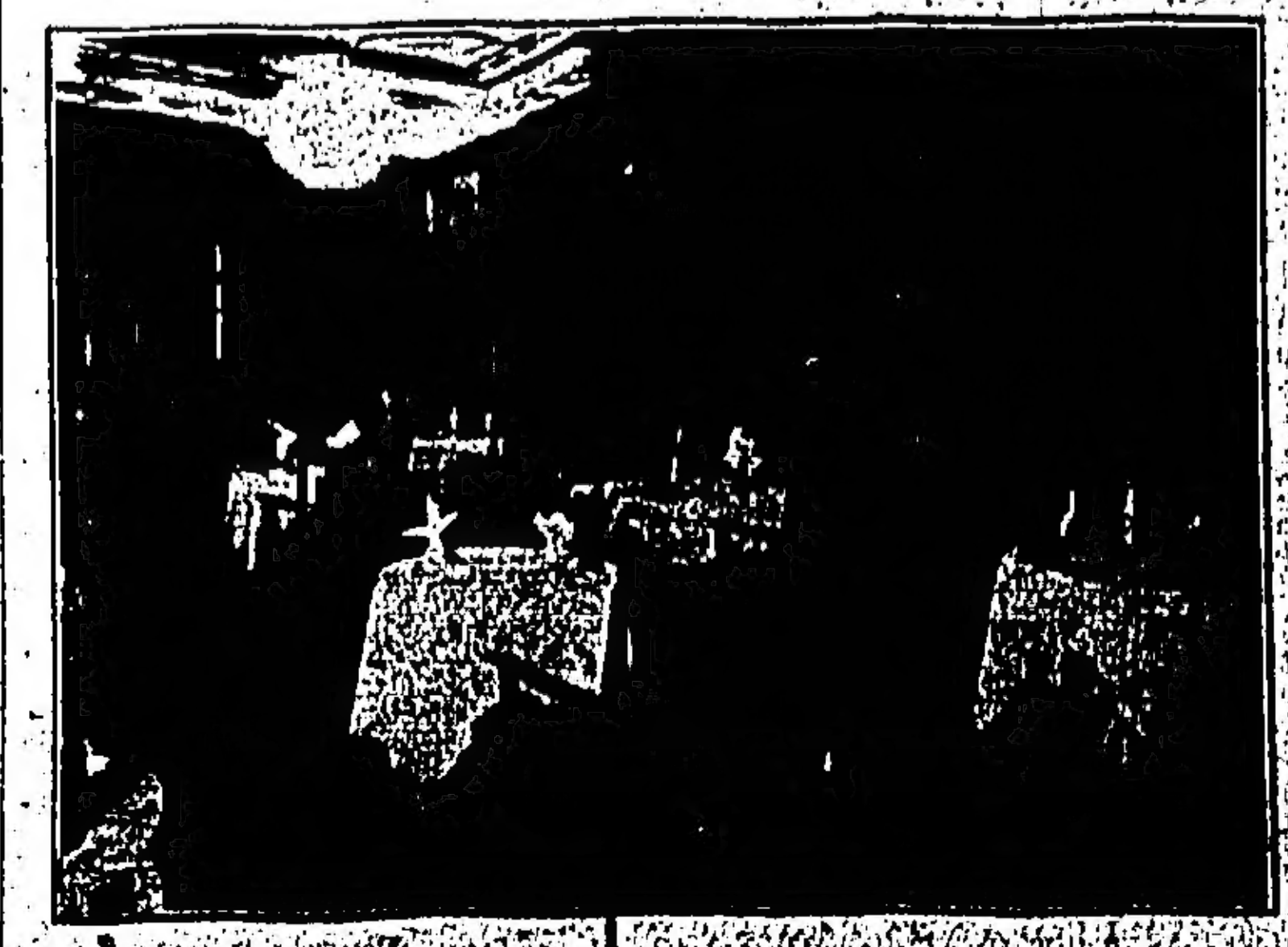
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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godown where they will be examined on the 23rd April 1931, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

No claims will be admitted unless notified and/or application for survey made in writing within seven days after landing of the goods, or in any case before the goods are taken delivery of.

Claims will not be recoverable unless complete accounts are sent in within fourteen days of final discharge of vessel.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesday and Friday, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 27th April, 1931.

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NOTICE.

I, LIANG CHI HAO, Managing Director, pursuant to the power vested in me under Article 5 of the Articles of Association of this Company intend to offer to the Shareholders on the register on the 20th April, 1931, the remaining 20,000 Ordinary Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each issued by the Company at par in proportion to the existing shares held by them respectively on that date.

Dated this 13th day of April, 1931.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Third Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 18th April, 1931, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1 p.m.

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Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5, for Gentlemen and \$3, for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all club, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary badges (limited to ONE) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

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The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2, including tax, for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffin will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of April, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
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LOCAL SERVICES.

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Union Church, Kennedy Road, Sunday, 19th April, 1931. 88th Anniversary. Morning Service, 11 a.m. Preacher: The Bishop of Victoria. Evening Service, 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. E. G. Powell. Social hour after Evening Service. Sunday School:—Kennedy Road, 10 a.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station. Sunday Service, 11.15 a.m. Subject, "Doctrine of Atonement." The Sunday School is held on Sunday Mornings, at 10 o'clock. Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday and Thursday, 5.30 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the service and visit the Reading Room. Branch of The Mother Church. The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass. U.S.A.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Amoy	Talma	April 18.
Dairen and Amoy	Tjisalak	April 19.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tai Yuan	April 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 24th Mar.)	Taiyo Maru	April 20.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 27th Mar.)	Pres. Grant	April 20.
Straits	Sirdhana	April 22.
Amoy and Swatow	Van Heutsz	April 22.
Java and Manila	Tjisaron	April 22.
Europe via Suez (Letters and parcels 19th Mar.)	Comorin	April 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 2 Apr.)	Chichibu Maru	April 24.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 4th Apr.)	Pres. Lincoln	April 24.
Japan	Kamo Maru	April 24.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. 12th Apr.)	Emps. of Russia	April 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 3rd Apr.)	Pres. Harrison	May 2.
U.S. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 10th Apr.)	Pres. Cleveland	May 4.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Port Bayard	Wing Lee	Sat., Apr. 18, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Jefferson	Sat., Apr. 18, 5 p.m.
	Parcel	Registration 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C. 5th May.)	
Manila	Empress of Canada	Sat., Apr. 18, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Proteus	Sat., Apr. 18, 4 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow	Kochow	Sat., Apr. 18, 4 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Adams	Sat., Apr. 18, 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden and Egypt	Pilana	Sat., Apr. 18, 5 p.m.
Straits and Cebu	Taluna	Sun., Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
	Parcel	Registration 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
Bangkok and Swatow	Daviken	Sun., Apr. 19, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kalgan	Sun., Apr. 19, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Apr. 19, 9 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Adams	Sun., Apr. 19, 5 p.m.
Straits	Telesias	Mon., Apr. 20, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Antung	Mon., Apr. 20, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangen	Mon., Apr. 20, 3 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Heian Maru	Tues., Apr. 21, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Apr. 20, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 21, 8.30 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B.C. 11th May.)	
Hoihow and Bangkok	Liangchow	Tues., Apr. 21, 10 a.m.
Straits and Cebu	Yuenyang	Tues., Apr. 21, 10 a.m.
	Parcel	Registration 11.45 p.m.
	Letters	12.30 p.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 2nd May.)	
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Apr. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz	Thurs., Apr. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Haiyang	Fri., Apr. 24, 1 p.m.
Amoy	Sui Sang	Fri., Apr. 24, 5 p.m.

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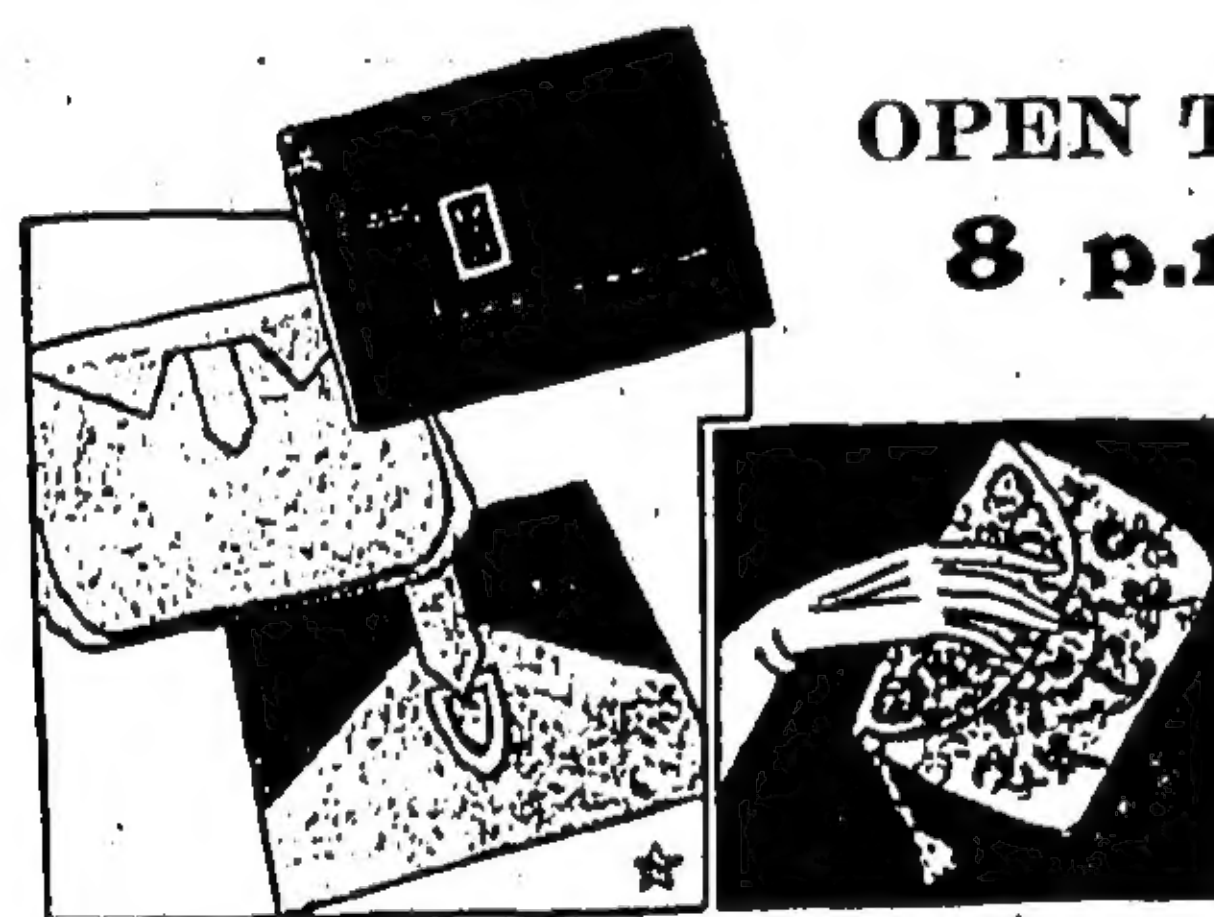
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BEAUTY HINTS.

[By Alicia Hart.]

Beauty, quite like your spirits, often needs a pick-me-up late in the afternoon.

Sometimes you feel the need for it and have time for it just before going home from the office. Other times it is when you are staying in to dinner with someone you would like to bewitch with your beauty and charm.

The most effective thing in the world to do is to remove your frock or blouse and use warm water and soap to wash your face, neck, arms, under the arms and hands. This freshens you second to nothing!

If you cannot do that, if you must effect your pick-me-up where you cannot shed your frock, then cleaning cream is often far more effective than dabbling water on gingerly.

After removing the day's soil, sit down limply in a chair for 10 minutes if you can make it. Just slump. If you could stretch out, that is all the more effective. But slumping in a chair, entirely relaxed, is something.

When that 10 minutes grace is over, try this simple exercise and see how it revives your fallen psychology.

Take your fingers of both hands and literally pick up your features. Begin with your thumbs planted firmly on your cheek bones and with your fingers very staunch, lift

the face under the eyes, run the fingers firmly up over the bridge of the nose, massage it slightly between the eyes and then continue clear up, keeping up that lifting motion, clear to the hair line. Then take your hands and push up your scalp from the back of the neck up onto your head. Begin down on your shoulders, work upward firmly and in between strokes, bend the neck down and try to relax it. Then go back to your face, pick up the face the same way, concentrating your lifting between the eyes and smoothing out over the forehead. Stroke firmly up the sides of the face to towards the temple. Massage the head slightly to make it tingle.

If you do it right, it is surprisingly refreshing. Finish this in about 10 minutes and then apply cold cream if you have time, vanishing cream if you haven't. Dash on an astringent, apply make-up, tidy your hair and see how much younger and prettier you feel.

This is literally a beauty pick-up. I will be surprised if you are not pleased with what it does for you.

NEW POWDER BOWLS.

Varnished wooden powder bowls, which are again coming into favour, look very bright and decorative on any dressing table, and have the added advantage of being unbreakable. Several of the large shops are showing a great variety of these bowls in many different shapes. The most popular way of decorating these bowls is with futuristic or geometrical patterns, and many intricate designs are painted in bright colours.

THE CARE OF THE HAIR.

[By Alicia Hart.]

I once heard a famous hair specialist claim that all hair, granting it was in a healthy condition, should curl.

Since seeing at least a half dozen of my own friends develop perfectly beautiful natural waves in their hair, after they had it bobbed and fussed a lot with it, I am much more inclined to think there is something in his claim.

Many a beautiful natural wavy head of hair means that the owner has squeezed it while it was drying, making it into little curls all over her head, pushed it this way and that, dampened it again and continued pushing until it developed a wave that was not hard to fix.

The only way on earth to bring out the latent wave your hair may have—or may not, as some instances have proved—is to take plenty of time, morning and night, and just naturally train it to be wavy.

Start before you give yourself a shampoo and make it a hot oil one, for hair that is properly lubricated is much more apt to wave decently. Dry your hair by hand, and this is very important. Lift it, fluff it, squish it against your head, knead it with your fingers as you dry it, getting it into a mood for waving.

Then, just before it is really dry; part it the way it should go and then take your comb firmly in hand, all in a mood to make curls. Push first one side and then the other up around your head as it looks best, use the back of the comb to press in the wave, always pushing your hair up towards the roots. To make your hair wave over your ears at the ends, dip your comb in water and make a circular kind of combing, tucking the ends under, in a manner of speaking. Be sure that as you do this you don't drag your hair out of the wave on the head that you have so laboriously pressed in.

Get yourself a set of water wave combs and adjust them while your hair is drying, until you get it in the mood to wave. But certainly having seen the results many women have accomplished single handed with whipping waves into their hair, I recommend that you try it. It can't hurt to try.

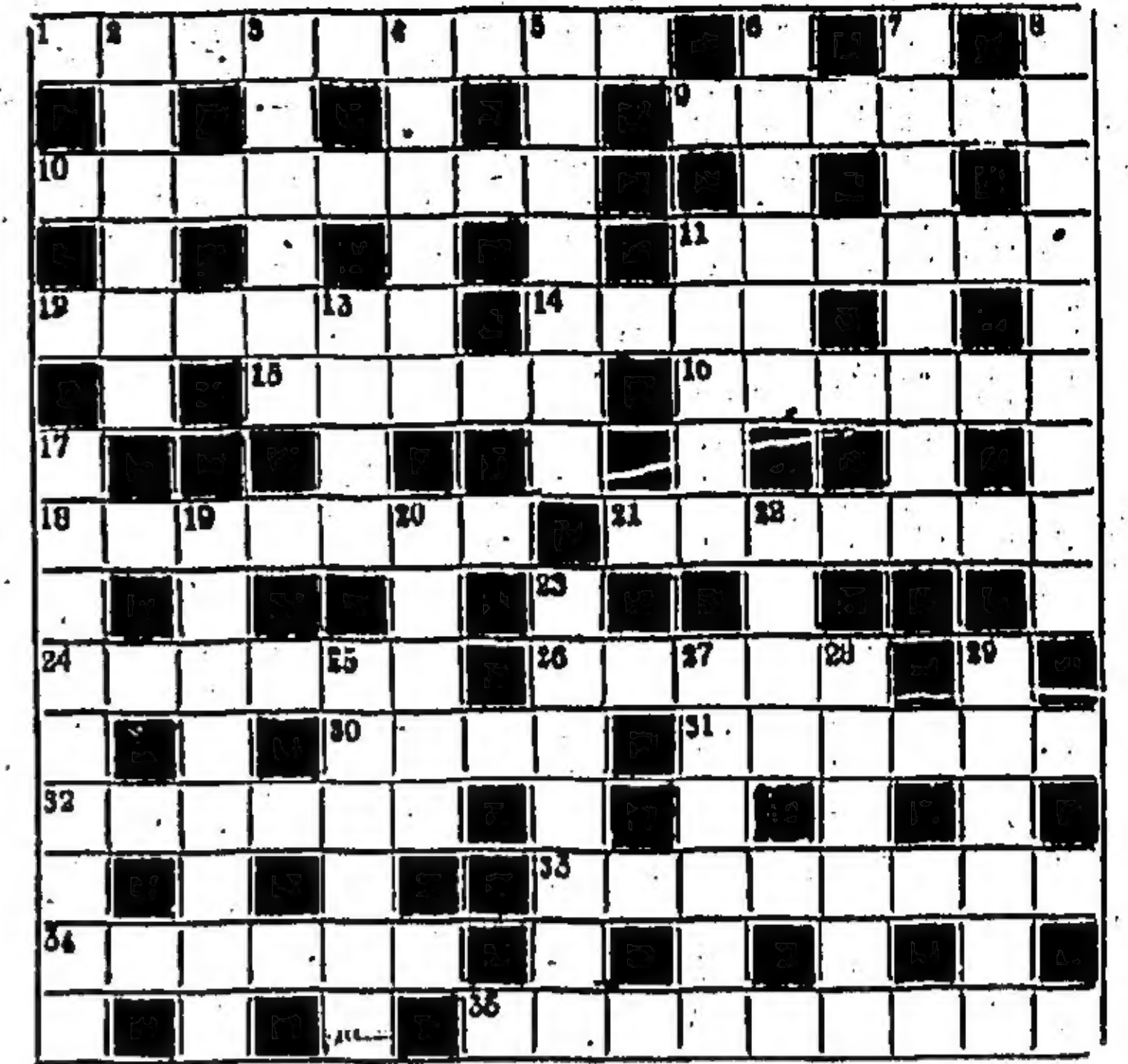
If after a month or so of labour of love you are not sailing along to chic on the crest of the wave, by all means get a permanent. I modify this by repeating that some women's charm lies in their smooth, sleek, uncurled hair. For such women to curl it is worse than trying to gild the lily.

Before you trek to a beauty parlour for a permanent, take a few weeks to set your hair in prime condition. A healthy, properly oiled head of hair takes a permanent twice as well as a sickly one and makes it last more than twice as long.

APPLE CUSTARD.

Stew 3 or 4 juicy, rather acid apples with 2 tablespoonsful of water, and a few drops of lemon juice or a little cinnamon, and sugar, to sweeten. When they are cooked, and are cold, put them in a pie dish, and pour over them a custard made with 2 eggs, well beaten, 1½ pint of boiling milk and sugar to slightly sweeten. Bake in a slow oven, until the surface is a pale golden colour.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



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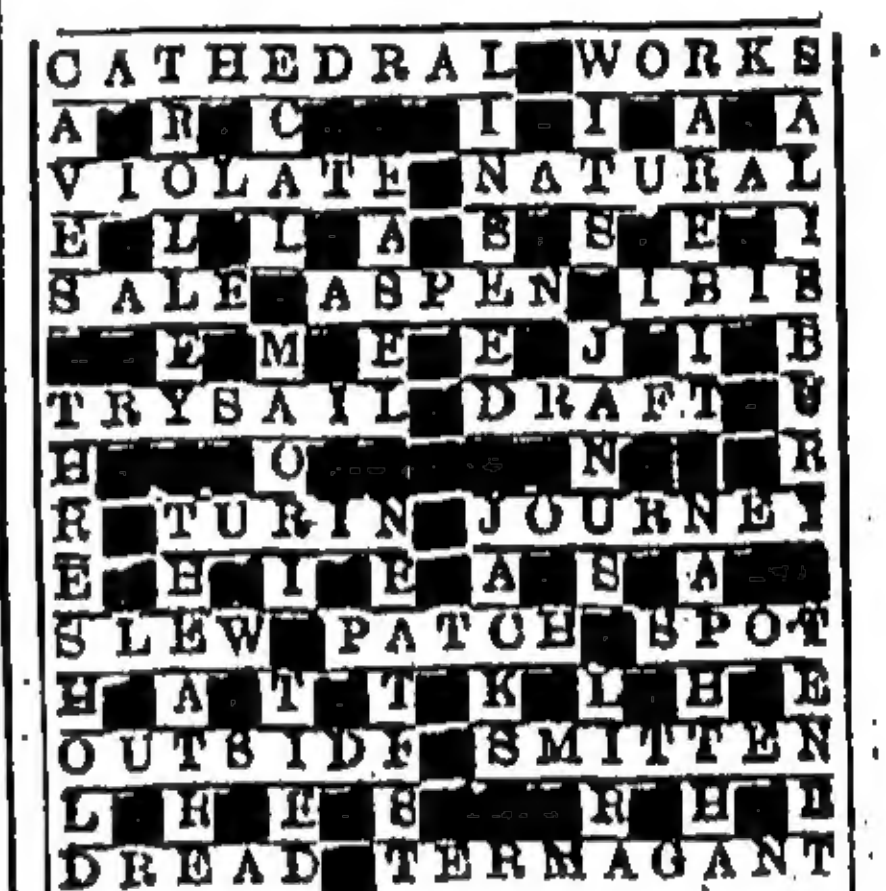
- 1 Isn't that cheese "mild"? Eat up, there is plenty of it (anag.).
- 9 Mother helps to make a salad in two two's—or practically so.
- 10 A Brazilian province lends to heaven.
- 11 Bring on inevitably.
- 12 Your this of your estate may be by 11 across.
- 13 The most isolated part of Chislehurst.
- 15 "He hath—me out of house and home."—King Henry IV.
- 16 Famous Victorian tragedian.
- 18 A rushing stream.
- 21 William the Conqueror's wife.
- 24 Neither "mute" nor "inglorious."
- 26 A rope is useful when one has to search for something—like this.
- 30 There is no fun, Tom, in telling such a tall yarn as that (hidden).
- 31 After 10 this Continental city is associated with ragtime.
- 32 Lightness of conduct introduced by one of Jacob's sons.
- 33 Copid.
- 34 These may, or may not, be Spanish gentlemen, but with another head they certainly will be.
- 35 Statement.

Down

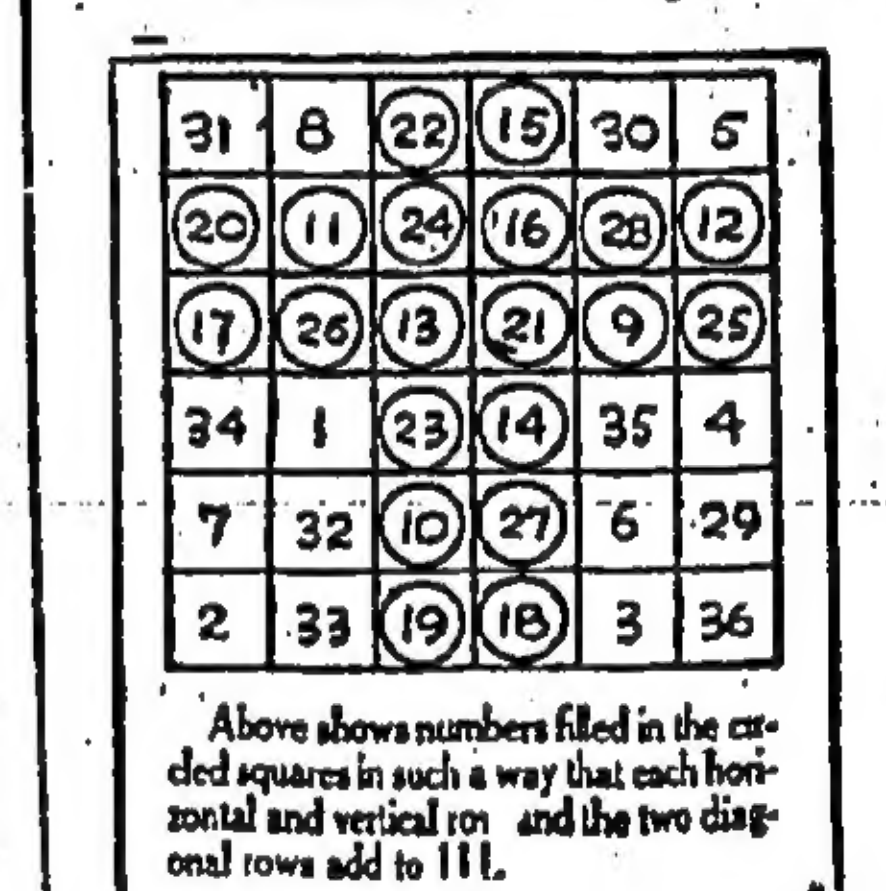
- 2 More despicable.
- 3 Why is the letter "L" in this word like Arsenal?
- 4 Supposed to have three legs—but it's all right notwithstanding.
- 6 This may increase weight, or reduce it.
- 8 Financial operation associated with one Homer.
- 7 Describes (in a rather misleading fashion) the Crystal Palace.
- 8 It seems unlikely that this under-

- graduate would ever get his Rugger Blue. He has only one leg.
- 11 Girl's name (shortened)—very popular in full.
- 13 They were, in Grand Opera, celebrated in all the capitals of the world (hidden).
- 17 Inlet.
- 19 This is pertinent, in regard to the eastern part of the Mediterranean.
- 20 A simpton.
- 22 The pattern that these clues are set in.
- 23 You'll find lots on the front page.
- 25 A confused noise.
- 27 The charlady's word for doing a job of work.
- 28 Erring, but good enough in the society of a knight of old.
- 29 Modern Latinists give this old Roman a "kick" to start off with—I prefer a softer approach to him.

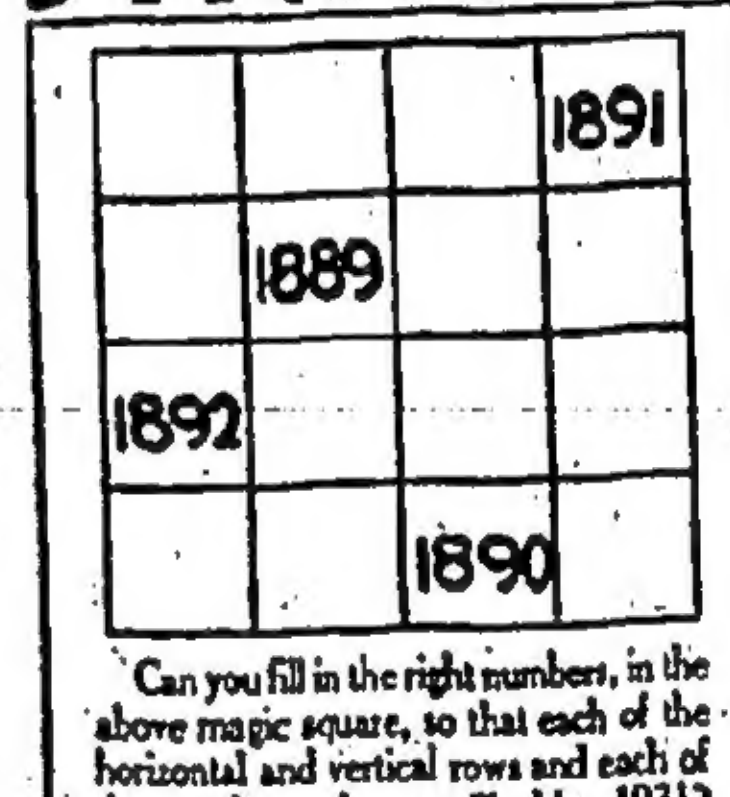
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STICKERS



Can you fill in the right numbers, in the above magic square, so that each of the horizontal and vertical rows and each of the two diagonal rows will add to 1931?

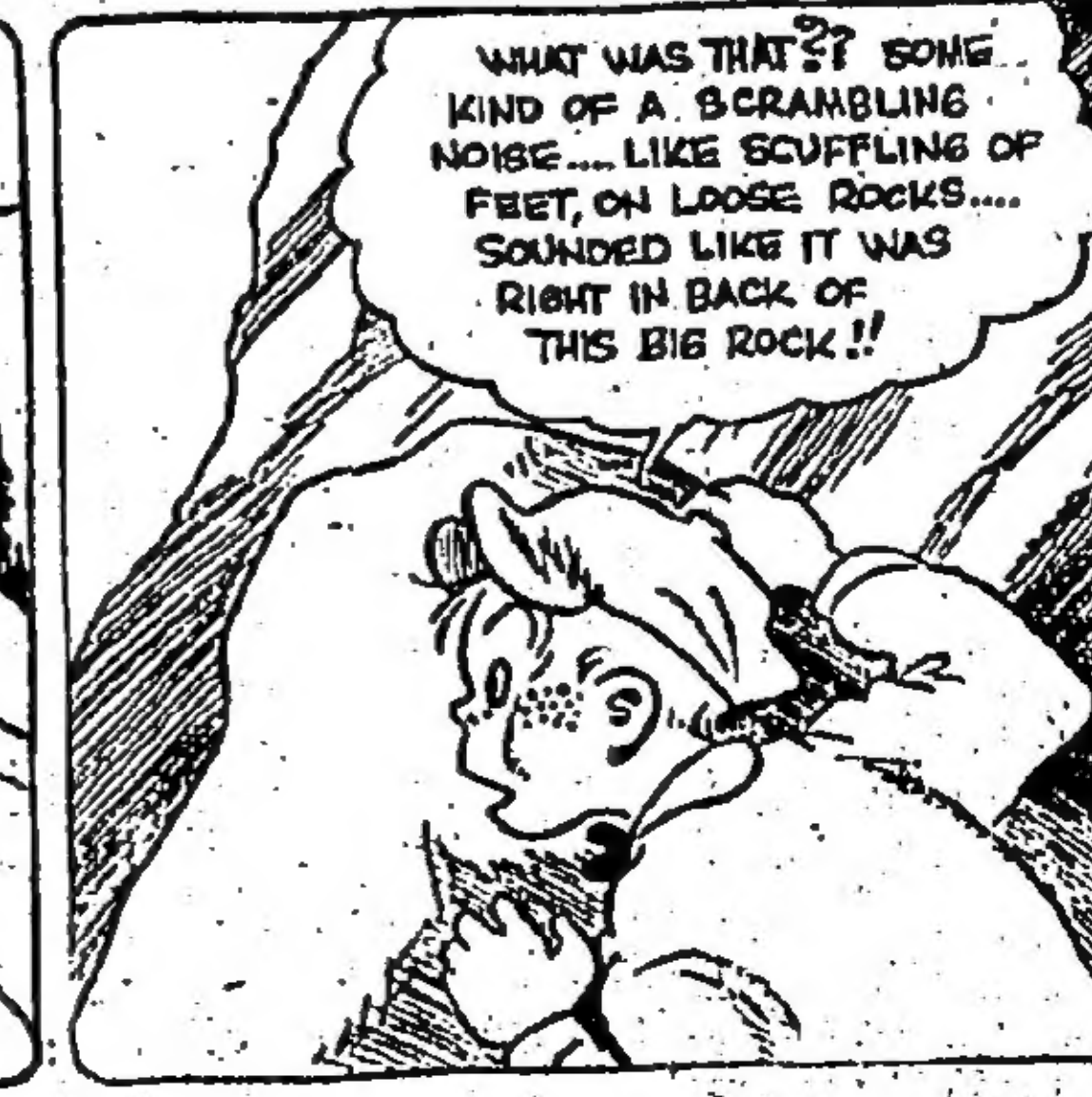
ROBOT BRAKEMAN.

TRAINS STOPPED AT "DANGER."

A device which automatically applies the brakes of a railway train and stops it, independently of any action by the driver, was demonstrated on the G.W.R. recently. A powerful locomotive which at times reached a speed of over 70 miles an hour travelled from Paddington to Slough, and was deliberately checked by signals. A warning showed in the engine cab, but for the purpose of the test the driver took no action. The train thereupon pulled up entirely of its own accord within 40 yards.

The invention is another great safeguard for travellers, as it ensures complete safety in fog, rain, or blizzard. This robot system sounds a siren in the engine cab for danger and a bell for "All clear." A ramp connected with a signal box switch is fixed on the permanent way, and on the engine is a contact shoe, an electrically controlled brake valve and siren combined, and an electric bell. The G.W.R. has 372 miles of track and 384 engines fitted with the system, and it is now being extended to 2,130 miles of track and 2,334 locomotives, at a total cost of £250,000.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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By Blosser

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DEATH.

GOMES.—Zelinda Gomes, at 12, Yue Kwong Terrace, on 14th April, 1931. Aged 76. Funeral will pass the monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 1931.

HONGKONG & LORD BEAVERBROOK.

The attempt made by Lord Beaverbrook to secure the support of Hongkong's business men to his policy of Empire Free Trade has dismally failed. For the reasons set out in our issue of yesterday, the General Chamber of Commerce has declined to endorse a scheme which would react detrimentally on the prosperity of the Colony and the port of Hongkong. If the sponsors of the Beaverbrook plan had given a moment's thought to the peculiar position of Hongkong, the invitation to support the scheme would never have been made. First and foremost, Hongkong is a clearing house for the South China markets, and any interference with the free status of the port would obviously drive business in non-Empire goods direct to China. That cardinal point had obviously not occurred to the Beaverbrook faction; indeed, it may be assumed that no special consideration was given to Hongkong when the letter begging its approval was sent out. What most likely happened is that Chambers of Commerce in all the Crown Colonies were circumscribed in identical terms, a circumstance which of itself shows how little thought can have been given to the subject by the originators of the policy. We venture to suggest that practically no support, if any at all, was received from any of the Crown Colonies.

It is interesting to recall that when Lord Beaverbrook began his campaign, he hoped first of all to see it applied to the Crown Colonies, one of his arguments being that inasmuch as the Imperial Government controls these territories, it would be a simple matter to give instructions for a tariff to be imposed thereon on foreign goods. He was at great pains to point out that these possessions in themselves constitute a huge Empire in themselves. "We could then stand," he asserted, "on the same footing with our Colonial Empire as America and France with theirs." He failed, however, to make mention of the fact that the Colonial possessions of other nations cannot, for the purposes of the argument, be compared with our own.

Moreover, he visualised all the Crown Colonies operating under a uniform tariff policy imposed by the Mother Country—Great Britain and all these possessions on a Free Trade basis with each other. The Crown Colonies were to have no discretion in the matter at all. Even France does not work on that basis, in which connection we may quote the words of *Le Temps* when it says that "those Colonies which have been free to frame their own fiscal policy have enjoyed undeniable prosperity, while those which have been obliged to submit to the policy imposed by the Mother Country have been sinking into a condition of veritable ruin." It is true that thirty or forty years ago France forced a highly Protectionist regime on her Colonies, but in less than twenty years they succeeded in breaking down that system, as previous attempts by Britain, Spain and Portugal to exploit their Colonies in this way have broken down. Modifications have had to be made to suit the peculiar conditions of each.

In a case like Hongkong, whose very existence depends on the free and uninterrupted movement of goods into the port, there is not the slightest case made out for tariff impositions. Quite the reverse. Indeed, the fact that Hongkong is a free port gives it a tremendous pull at present, with China's high tariff in operation. We can envisage the time when many concerns now operating from Shanghai will find it to their advantage to make Hongkong their headquarters as a distributing point—a place where they can come in duty-free and hold stocks free of any imposts until they are definitely needed for consumption in China. From whatever standpoint the matter is viewed, Hongkong stands to gain by preserving her present status. Lord Beaverbrook, as we say, started out with the idea of first getting the Crown Colonies into his scheme, with the incorporation of the Dominions as "an ultimate ideal." Since then, he has put the smaller possessions in the background. The explanation is probably to be found in the receipt of answers such as the Hongkong Chamber has given him. Hard facts have demonstrated the impracticability of the plan.

Another Silver Warning.

The extreme pessimism of Mr. Kann regarding the future outlook for silver contains a sombre warning. An acknowledged expert, Mr. Kann is the author of the most comprehensive study yet published of China's financial problem, and his recommendation that China should adopt a gold standard at the earliest opportunity will carry considerable weight with the powers-that-be. What is more significant is that his views on the silver situation have undergone a marked change in the course of the past six months. Addressing the Pan-Pacific Conference in Shanghai some little time back, after a thorough analysis of silver production and the causes of the collapse in prices, he expressed the opinion that there was hope for the resurrection of silver values as soon as a rise in the price level of world commodities in general exhibited itself. He singled out British India as the greatest adversary to silver recovery, and thought that if the Government of India could be induced to stop selling for three years, until most of the other sources of surplus silver had given out, there would be better prospects for the white metal. To-day, he gives little hope for a price rise of material proportions. An increase in world commodity values would have a favourable influence, but not in sufficient strength to make an effective improvement. In international conferences, he has no faith. He points to the failure of the conferences of the nineteenth century by reason of conflicting interests, and does not believe in a spirit of disinterestedness any more now than then. For that reason, he urges China to adopt a gold stand-

DAY BY DAY

NOTHING CAN BY ANY POSSIBILITY
TEND MORE TO THE CORRUPTION OF
A GOVERNMENT THAN ENORMOUS
REVENUES.—John Bright.

The Gazette contains new regulations regarding hawkers' licences.

The Gazette gives a list of Justices of Peace, numbering 151 Non-Official and 85 Official.

Dr. W. B. A. Moore has been appointed to act as Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, with a seat on the Legislative Council.

Through falling down the companion way on board the s.s. Chen Kiang lying at the Taikoo Dock, the cook on board received injuries from which he subsequently died.

An interesting lecture on "History and Historians" was delivered to members of the Hongkong University Arts Society at the Union Assembly Hall, last evening, by Mr. B. G. Birch.

The Government proposes to erect a public latrine on the west side of O'Brien Road at its junction with Hennessy Road. Objections must reach the Colonial Secretary not later than May 8th.

It is notified that at the expiration of three months the Tai Che Steamship Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

The master of the Tai Chung firm of raincoat makers of 7, Lower Laufer Road is reported to the police to have obtained credit to the extent of \$1,088.42 from two different shops and then to have absconded.

A one-year-old child of 7, Wo Hop Street was removed to the Government Civil Hospital by its relatives yesterday, suffering from scalds to its head and face caused by pulling a bowl of hot soup off a table.

Suffering from opium poisoning, believed to have been self-administered, a Chinese woman of 9, Kam Wah Street was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday where she died an hour after admission.

A Russian, whose name is at present unknown, was sent down from Canton by a doctor asking the local authorities to send him to the Government Civil Hospital. The man, who arrived by train last night, was unable to walk.

The average mean temperature during March was 63.6, the highest being 70.7 and the lowest 55.2. There were 3.17 inches of rain and only 78.1 hours of sunshine, this comparing with a normal of 93.7. The average humidity was 80.

and, and appears to have taken steps personally to promote that end by communicating with the League of Nations in an attempt to secure a huge gold loan for China. The prospects of such a loan fructifying are few indeed, but the fact that no avenues are being left unexplored in the effort to find a gold way out for China's currency, should convey a warning to Hongkong of deplorable simplicity. Some of our so-called experts desire us to wait until China's huge stocks of silver have been thrown on the market to destroy utterly any vestige of confidence now reposing in the white metal. Mr. Kann's speech seems to demonstrate clearly and convincingly that Hongkong will be left with the dirty end of the stick unless the Currency Mission finds a solution to our problems.

ENGLISH TALKING FILMS.

By W. A. Mutch.

ONE of the most interesting features of British film production in the coming summer will be the making of a number of talking pictures with English scenic backgrounds. This will be welcome news to filmgoers who have regretted the limitation of movement and the artificiality of atmosphere which appeared in talking pictures while the microphone was regarded as rigid and immovable.

Almost the first breath of fresh air returned to films with "The Virginian" and "In Old Arizona," both made in America, and America has since produced such excellent out-of-doors subjects as "Abraham Lincoln," "The Big Trail," "Tolable David," "Tom Sawyer," and "Cimarron."

In "Escape" we had the first real use of English scenery in a British talking picture but, for the most part, our producers have remained in enclosed studios, pleading the variability of our weather and the difficulty of using microphones in the open air. This has not only made filmgoers sigh for the freedom of movement which was one of the chief virtues of silent films, but has in some degree robbed British pictures of their British character, since a film inevitably reflects the colour of its background.

This probably explains why so few "pictures of inspiration" have been made in British studios since talking pictures began. Anthony Asquith's brilliant talking picture translation of "Toll England" is an outstanding illustration of what filmgoers have missed by reason of the tyranny of the microphone.

"Toll England" is to be presented for a short season at the Palace Theatre, starting on March 27.

First-Shot Backgrounds.

In the plea of the weather there has been a great deal of truth, since the daily cost of talking picture production may be £1,000, but this plea no longer holds good since the perfection of the Dunning process by which exterior backgrounds may be photographed in advance of production, and the dramatic scenes, laid against such backgrounds, may be afterwards enacted within the four walls of a sound-proof stage.

This process, not hitherto used in England, will be employed in the production of "The Likes of 'Er," now being directed by Maurice Elvey at Beaconsfield, with Gracie Fields as the star. The scenes to be used in this picture will be taken in the Thames valley, which Herbert Brenon, before the Dunning process was discovered, thought it worth while to journey from Hollywood to London to secure for "Sorrell and Son."

Seaside, City, and Lakes.

The Gaumont, with Victor Saville directing, will shortly put into production a talking picture translation of "Hindle Wakes," in which there will be exterior scenes of Blackpool, Bolton, Blackburn, and Lundudno.

Gaumont will also produce "Water," a drama laid against the background of the water-supply system of a great city, in which the scenes of the source of supply will be photographed in the Lake

District, while the city will be Birmingham.

"Contraband," another Gaumont picture, will contain exterior from Poole and the coast of Cornwall. Yet another outstanding open-air subject is "The Broad Highway," to be made by British and Dominions.

These are sufficient to show the welcome return of British talking-picture production to one of the most attractive characteristics of the silent film.

Six-Stage Studios.

The capacity of British studios will be materially increased as from the end of July by the three new stages now being built by Gaumont at Shepherd's Bush. These, when completed, will give the Gaumont studios a six-stage capacity and will mean the creation of a second Elstree at Shepherd's Bush. In each of these stages six pictures may be made every year, and since it is intended that these pictures shall be of superior quality, this means that a sum of £720,000 will be invested annually in British talking pictures.

Practically the whole of this money will be returned into British industries of every description, from dressmaking to carpentry, and permanent employment will be given to more than 600 workers.

Americans Must Come Here.

The extension of British studio space and the increase of talking picture production in this country will be prominent features of the coming film year, since the increasing quota of British pictures demanded by the Cinematograph Films Act now makes it impossible for producers of American pictures to purchase inferior quota pictures on the notorious pound-a-foot basis.

Several American companies, have already planned to establish production branches in London.

Progress in this direction has been somewhat retarded by the failure of American companies to secure exemption from the terms of the Act stipulating that 75 per cent. of all money paid to personnel on a quota production must be paid to British nationals, but it is certain that all the leading American companies must very soon produce in London, with the result that London must become a film centre second in importance only to Hollywood itself and producing more than 200 talking pictures a year.

Better and More British.

It is generally agreed that the coming of American producers to London will bring about a still further improvement in the quality of British pictures, and I do not believe for a moment that American producers will fail to exploit to the utmost the scenic beauty of this country of ours.

As the result of their coming, British films may not only be better but may be more British.

"PERIOD" TYPISTS.

When Office Staffs Will
Be Objects d'Art.

"If you want a thing done well," said our grandfathers, doing themselves very well with the port, "do it yourself." That may still be true. But if you want 17,429 things done well, it would be overdoing it to do them yourself. And so Big Business has become mechanised.

Yesterday I visited the Business Efficiency Exhibition, now being held at the White City, and all I can say is: "Goodness gracious me." No more convincing demonstration of the Futility of Human Endeavour could be found than in the vast range of commercial equipment on view at this exhibition.

The equipment is designed to save time, trouble, and office-boys, and includes everything from electric accountants to fire-proof secretaries for hot tempered magnates. Calculating machines, adding machines, duplicating machines, dictaphones, typewriters and paste were some of the many marvels on the stands.

I was painfully surprised not to see a Humane Sacking machine (for quickfitters) which would hand the employee his notice, together with his fortune and weight on a card.

Magenta Typists.

Seriously, I cannot see that office staffs will be anything but objects d'art in a few years' time. Nice to have about the place, you know, and a good background for the cigar and astrakhan collar, but of no use except as interior decoration.

(Continued on Page 7.)



"I always give the ones I want to read, and then borrow them afterwards."

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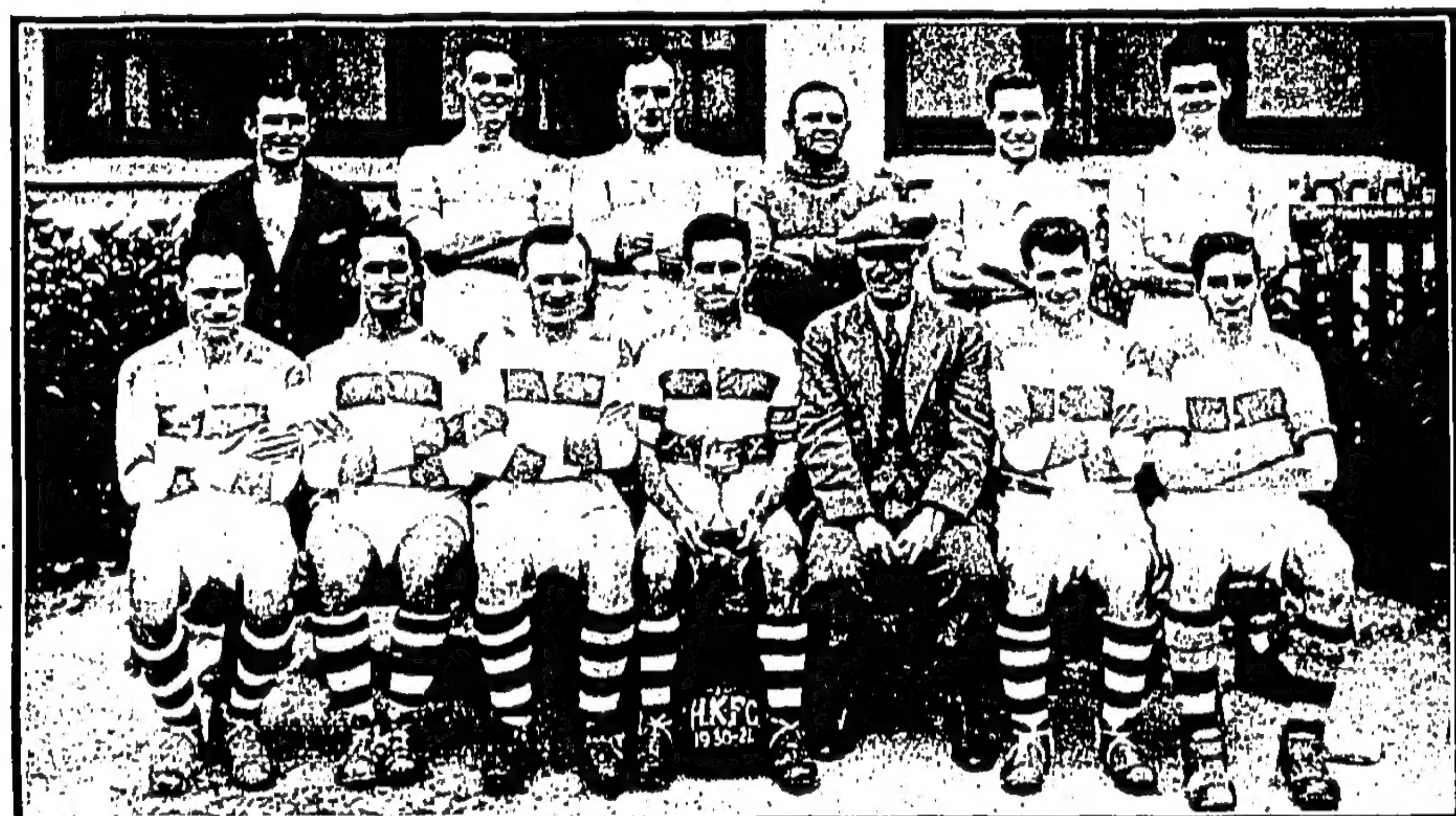
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This group was taken at the presentation of prizes after the inaugural meeting at the Shekpi Race-course, Canton. The trophy seen in centre was donated by H. E. General Chan Ming-shu for the Canton Derby, and was won by J. J. Palmer on Blue Heaven. (Photo: Ah Fong).



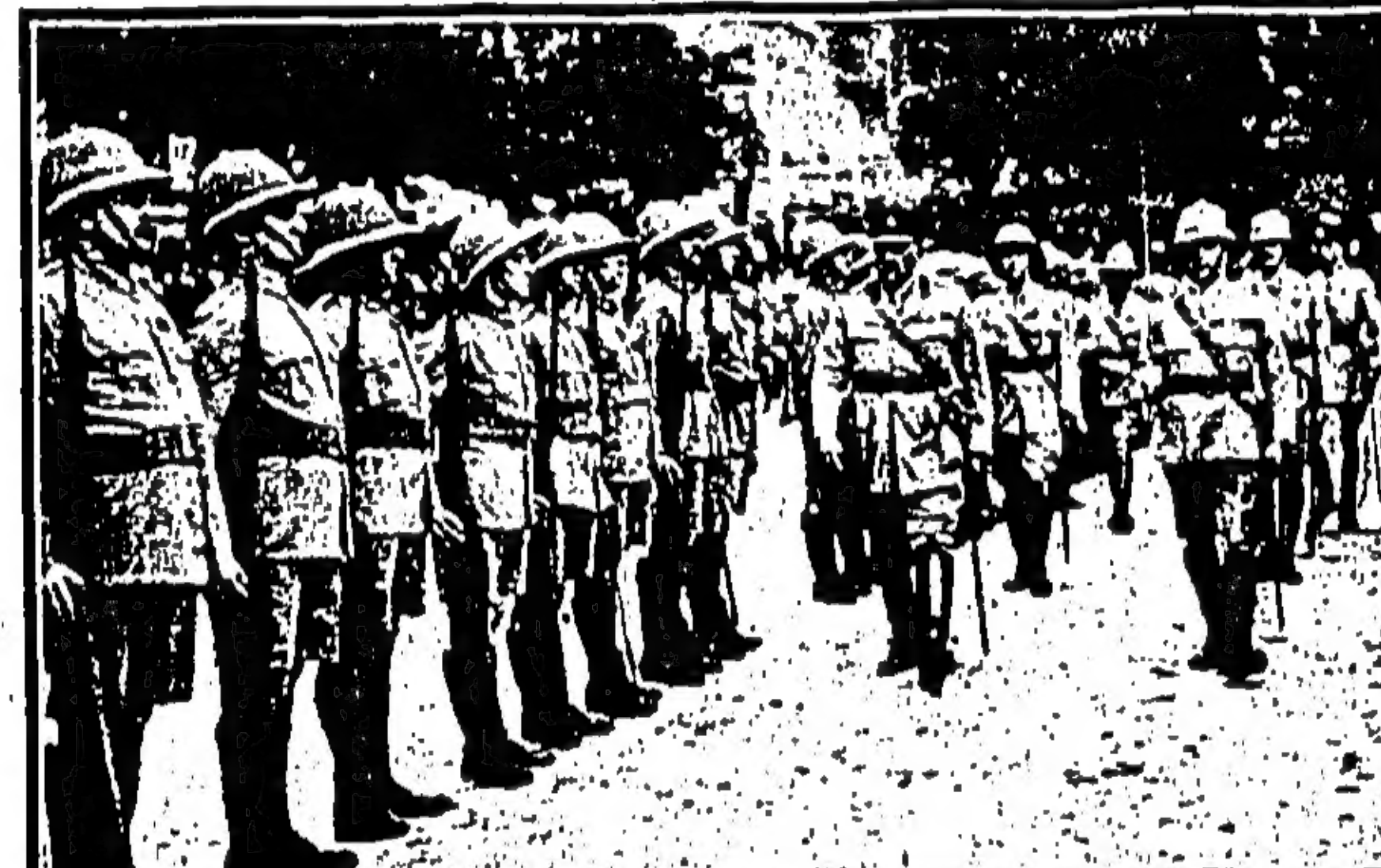
This group was taken on the occasion of the opening of the new premises of the Young Women's Christian Association in Bonham Road. The ceremony was performed by Lady Peel, who is seen seated in centre. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



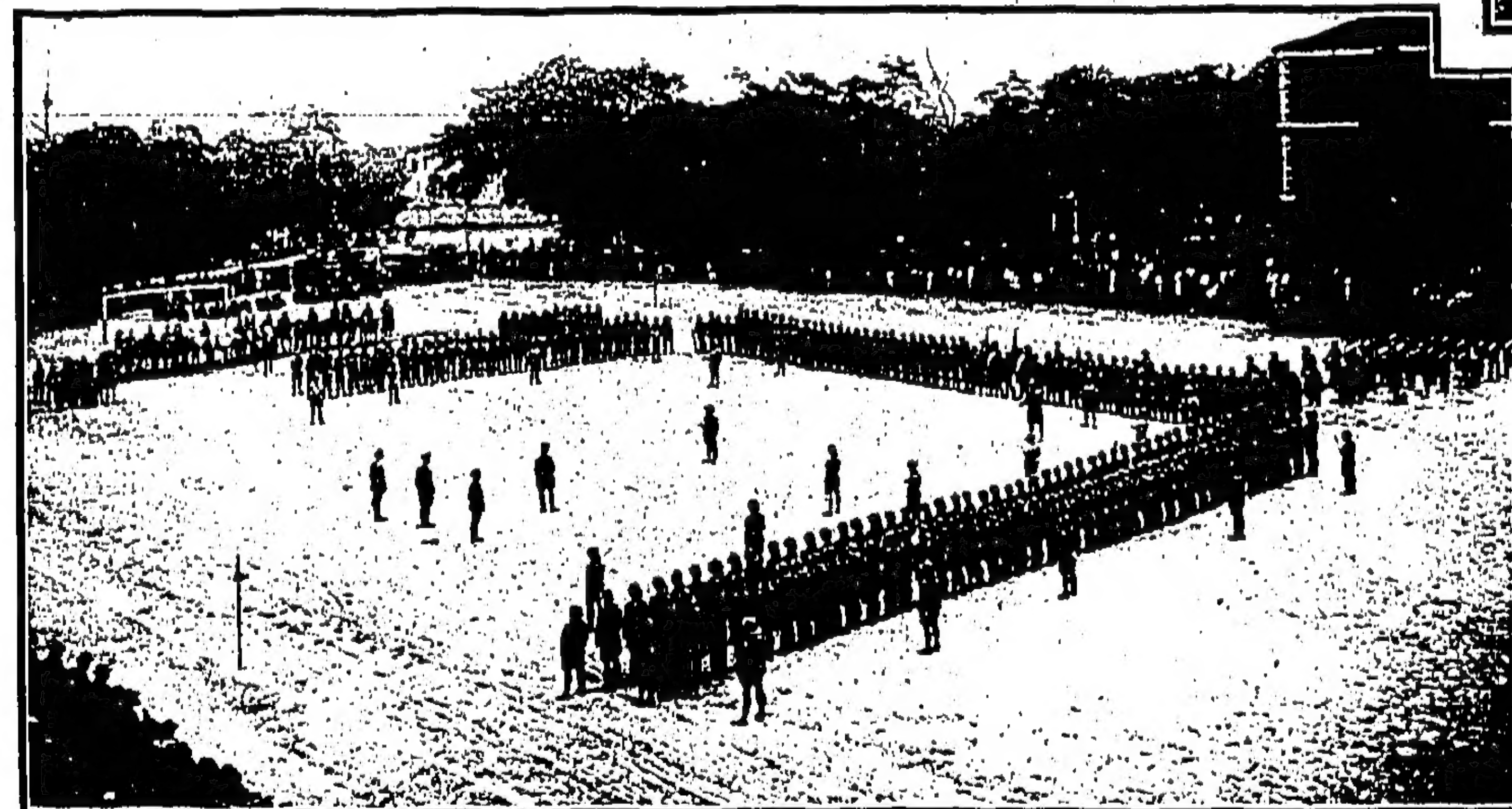
The Hongkong Football Club's 2nd XI, runners-up in the Junior Shield Competition. G. Punccheon (capt.) is seen seated in centre, with the runners-up trophy. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A good action picture at the R.A. sports at Sookunpoo, showing one of the competitors doing the pole jump. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



H. E. Major General Sandilands inspecting the Volunteer Defence Corps—above, the Battery; below, the Mounted Machine-Gun Section. (Photos: Ming Yuen Studio).



An excellent general picture of the Volunteer Defence Corps inspection on Murray Parade Ground. The Corps is seen in hollow square being addressed by H.E. Major General Sandilands. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



H.E. General Chan Ming-shu snapped at the inaugural meeting at the Shekpi Racecourse, which he opened. (Photo: Ah Fong).



His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, together with Lieut.-Col. I. G. Bird, Commandant of the Defence Corps, and Staff officers at the Volunteer inspection. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



This picture shows one of the track events in the Royal Artillery sports at Sookunpoo last Saturday. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



Lady Peel (third from left) arriving at the new premises of the Young Women's Christian Association in Bonham Road, for the opening ceremony. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

"DEMONSTRATION TRIALS."

HOW THE LAW WORKS IN SOVIET RUSSIA.



This picture shows a dramatic moment during Soviet Russia's unique treason trial, held in the hall of a club once used by Russian nobles. Leonid Ramzin, young engineer and one of the defendants, is shown at the left as he gives his testimony before a radio microphone.

The author of this article, Ann Louise Strong, is an American woman who has spent several years in Russia, visiting all parts of the country.

Few in our western world can understand Soviet law courts. Of this dramatic trial, recently concluded in Moscow, is only one example. But during the years I have spent in Russia, I have seen many cases just as alien to our Anglo-Saxon ideas of jurisprudence, and which throw light on the psychology underlying the case.

The puzzle to most people was why these men confessed, and why the Tsik Central Executive Committee so promptly committed the five death sentences to prison terms.

To strengthen morale.

I know the problem the Tsik discussed was this: "Will it help our Five Year Plan more to let these men or to let them live? Can we strengthen morale in our future task for the country's future more by terror or by the money?" It was this, and not any plagues given, or question of absolute justice, that decided their fate.

Soviet law is affected not only by the law of the west, with its ideal of justice as some absolute relation between man and crime, but also by the tradition of the east, where justice is always personal and conditional. "Our law," said a Soviet judge to me once, "is not to be guided by precedents, but rather through forms of law to build a growing society, considering the past only as it explains the motives out of which the present has risen, and considering the future we intend to create." Such is the "functional" view of law and justice in Soviet courts.

So they do not ask: "What are the exact acts of the defendant and where do they fit in our criminal code?" but "Given this situation, what is the best way out with benefit to society?" This is the decision that underlies all theory of Soviet jurisprudence. It underlies also the method of "demonstration trials," so startling to us of the west.

Many Propaganda Trials. Such "demonstration trials," or "propaganda trials" as they are called, occur even in quite minor cases. I remember a city where violations of the labour code grew frequent. Men were worked overtime without special recompense;

or were fired without permission of the union; or wrongly classified to reduce their wages. It was decided to hold a "propaganda trial" to acquaint the workers with their rights. A series of such trials, widely advertised, was held for two days, not in a law court, but in the biggest hall of the Labour Temple; cases and penalties were pronounced, but the form was that of drama. The result was wide knowledge of the labour code and the penalties for various offences.

I remember a propaganda trial held in a Turkestan village for wife murder. All the wife had unveiled, and preached women's freedom and unveiling to her neighbours. The outraged husband, with the aid and advice of friends, had slain her. All admitted his act; he pleaded in defending his honour. The point to prove in court was whether such killing was "crime."

Renamed Village after Trial. Five thousand peasants attended the "demonstration trial" held in the open air. Delegations of women and youth from neighbouring villages came with petitions to demand the death penalty. All was executed; his accomplices imprisoned. The villagers then indicated their approval of the sentence by voting to rename their village after the murdered woman, in token of their conversion to woman's freedom.

Criminal codes exist, of course, in the Soviet Union, and even training in law. But the interpretation of criminal codes depends on the concrete case. An ignorant peasant might be completely excused for acts which would bring grave penalties if performed by an educated Moscow Communist. A peasant woman might shoot for foreign intervention because of some local grievance and gets only an apologetic explanation; an engineer using one-tenth the same words gets arrested.

Still more, the Soviet judges are expected to study, not only Soviet law, but German, French and Anglo-Saxon law as well, as a guide to their acts in cases involving foreigners of these nations. Not as final law, but as "showing how the man was brought up."

This indicates how personal and relative justice is expected to be. To facilitate explanations in court, the Jewish towns have courts in Yiddish, the German settlements in German; over 50 languages are used today in Soviet law-courts, and attention is

paid to the customs of the people thus represented.

Penalties are Variable.

It becomes quite clear from this that penalties and cases are variable. Courts are not conceived of as outside and above the political life of the land but as part of it. State power is not, as with us, divided into a balance of function between legislative, executive and judicial. The legislative power is elected, and then appoints the administrative and judicial power.

Together with the appointed judge, expected to know law, are two co-judges, who serve somewhat the same function as our jury. These are chosen from a panel nominated by the social organizations of the vicinity; they sit for a limited time, as the "people's conscience." In backward districts these co-judges have even to deliberate, their knowledge of local backwardness modifying the stricter demands of the judge. All three must agree in a decision; otherwise an appeal is taken.

Not So Many Lawyers.

Lawyers are much less used in Soviet courts than with us. In some of the simpler cases, such as a worker's complaint against his employer, no lawyer is permitted; the judge questions both parties. In other simple cases, the fact that a man needs a lawyer often prejudices his case. But in complicated cases, the court often appoints a lawyer.

As for confessions in court, they are very common. The judge lays his cards on the table most informally, and invites the accused to do likewise. I once saw 30 bandits on trial in Osh, before an interested audience of native "Kirghiz" whom the men had raided and robbed. The judge was a Russian worker, with matted blouse open at the neck; the two co-judges were a Kirghiz peasant and a Kirghiz woman weaver. The trial was utterly informal.

"Now, really," said the judge, "you, an experienced bandit, expect us to believe that you met this man on the road and took him along as a well-a sort of witness to your raid. We know that on such raids you do not take even your own weaker members. You ask us to believe that you took this stranger?" The tone was that of an expostulating teacher.

"You see," remarked the judge

"TRAGIC FARCE."

Woman M.P. Wants Law Altered.

In the midst of a hum-drum session of the House of Commons recently, the atmosphere and setting of a criminal court, when sentence of death was about to be pronounced upon a person convicted of murder, was suddenly brought into the chamber.

M. P.'s, who were walking about, sat down. Men who were seated took their feet down from the desks in front of them. Members who were gossiping suddenly sat silent and rigid.

In their mind's eye they saw a dim, drear court room. They saw the trial judge put a flat piece of black cloth on his wig. They heard him in trembling accents sentence the criminal in the dock "to be taken thence and hanged by the neck until you are dead and may God have mercy on your soul!"

The member of Parliament who wrought this magic in the House of Commons was Miss Edith Picton-Turbervill, a tall, distinguished, middle-aged woman, soberly garbed in black, who in quiet tones, without sensationalism, but, nevertheless, in a voice charged with deep emotion, was pleading for a favourable hearing for a bill she had just introduced.

A Descendant of Aristocrats.

Miss Picton-Turbervill is the descendant of an old aristocratic family, which dates back to one of the knights who accompanied William the Conqueror. She is the



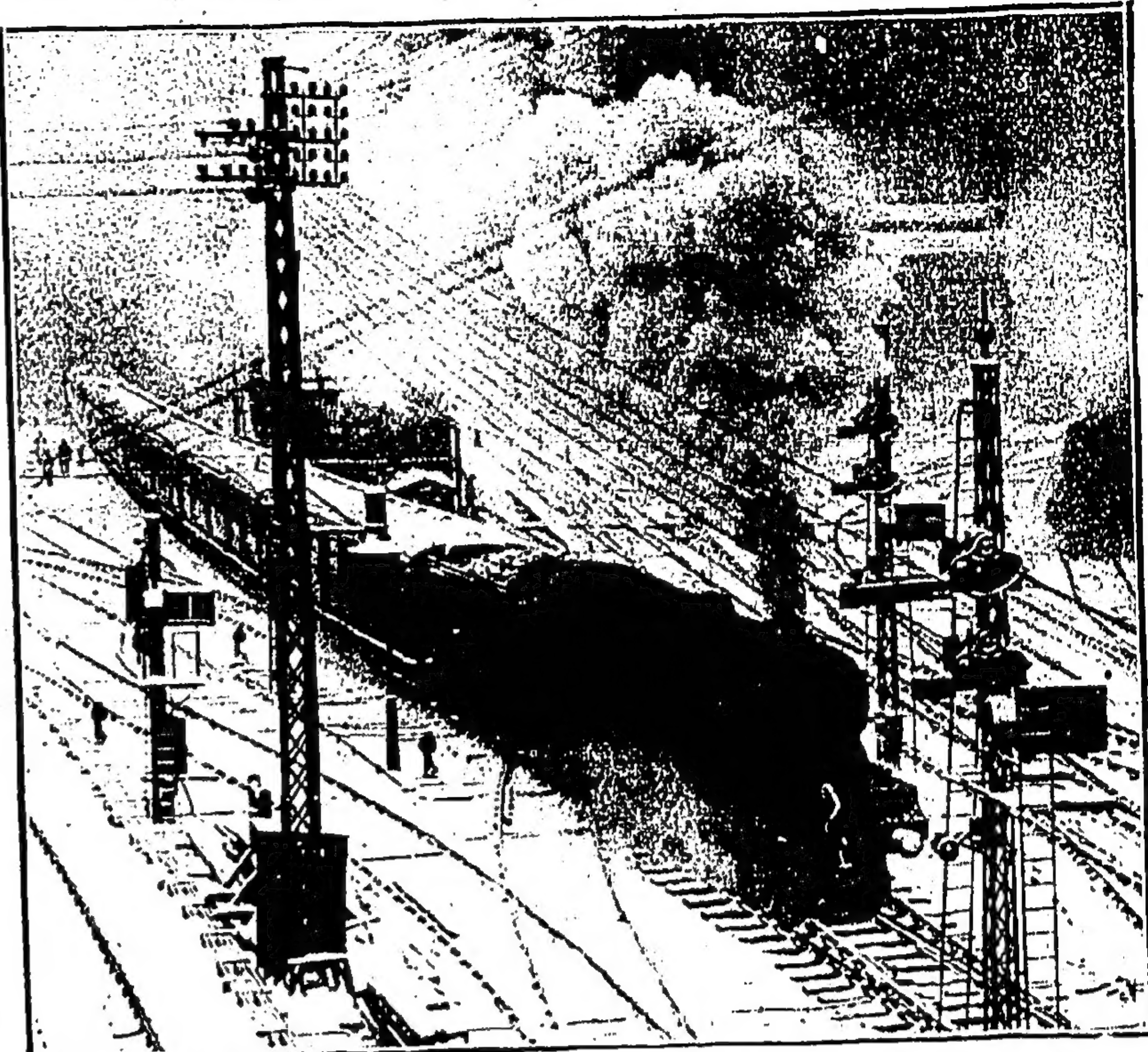
daughter of the late Colonel J. Picton-Turbervill of Ennemy Priory, Glamorgan, and granddaughter of Sir Grenville Temple, Baronet. Reared in luxury, the natural inference would be that she was speaking from the Tory benches where most of the old landed aristocracy are seated. But not at all. She is the Labour M. P. for the Wrekin division.

Would End Grim Farce.

The object of Miss Picton-Turbervill was to prevent further horrible scenes in a British court room. Her bill prohibits the passing of the death sentence upon expectant mothers. She asked members to take notice that the bill did not relieve them of any sentence of imprisonment they might be called upon to endure. The law already in force prohibited the execution of expectant mothers. The practice was, as stated, to give a reprieve and no woman thus caught in the toils of the law had been executed for 70 years.

But as the law stood, no matter how extenuating the circumstances, nor how strong the jury's recommendation to mercy, the judge had no option but to pass the dreadful death sentence. It was only after this was done, that the woman had the opportunity of stating she was an expectant mother. Her bill gave the mother the opportunity of stating the fact before sentence was passed. In

HEAVY SNOWFALL IN LONDON.



Our picture illustrates the Edinburgh express leaving King's Cross Station after a heavy snowfall, the heaviest in London in March for many years. In less than two hours snow fell to a depth of over two inches. (Times copyright).

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the event that this was found to be correct, the death sentence would not be passed at all.

She begged the members to consider the effect of a death sentence not only upon the mother, but upon the unborn, but living child. The shock to the mother might well prove to be disastrous to the child and affect its whole life. Judges and lawyers had for years regarded the duty imposed upon them with great disfavour. She mentioned a humane judge, who so hated his task, that he begged the woman not to listen to a word of the sentence and mumbled it in such a manner that none could understand what he was saying. In Scotland, the death sentence had not been passed upon an expectant mother for 150 years.

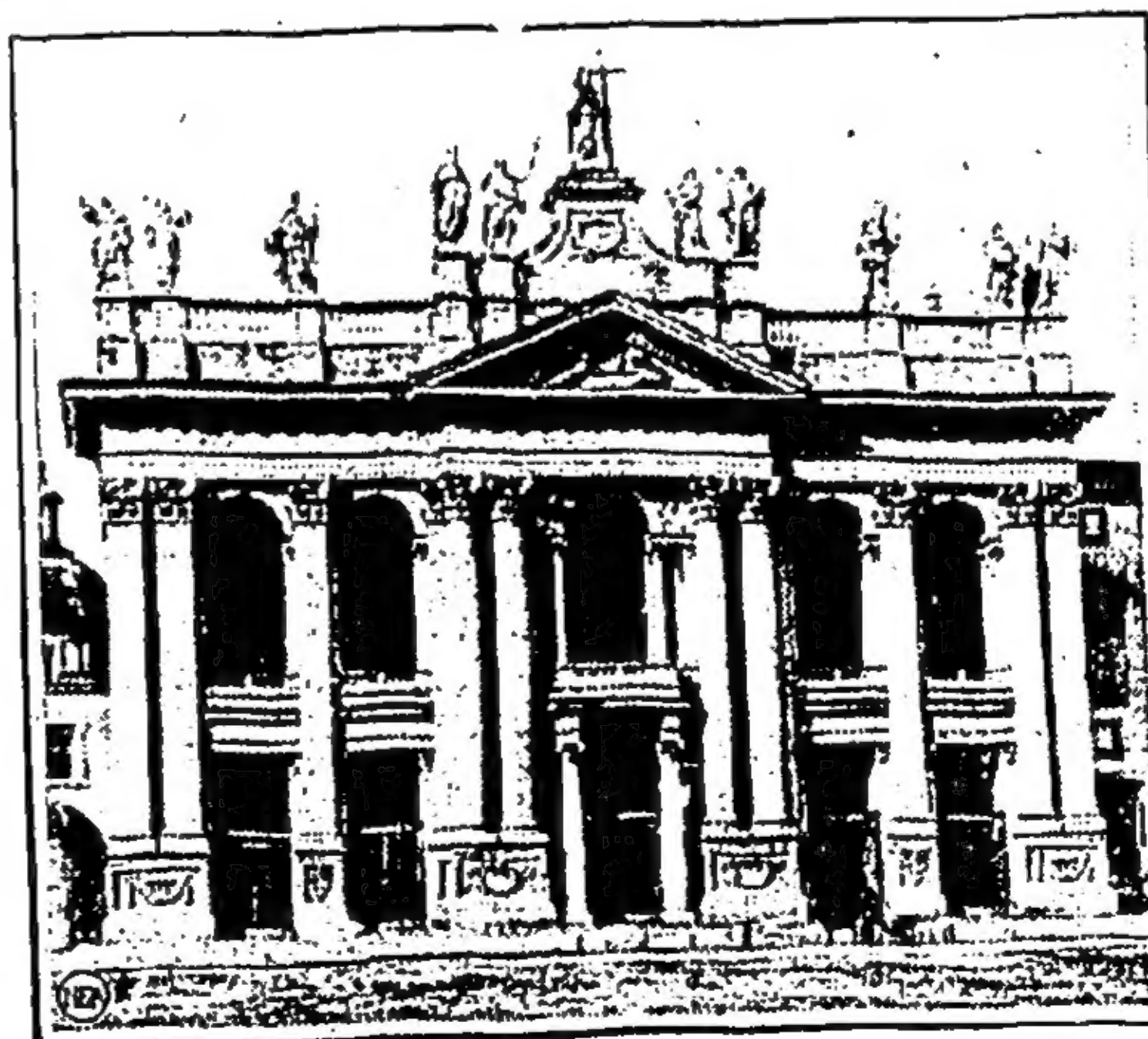
Her Speech Unopposed.

Miss Picton-Turbervill suddenly stopped speaking. No one rose to oppose. The Speaker asked for the names of those who backed the

bill. She read out a list of members of all parties. The Speaker called for "ayes." There was a rousing thunder of them. Lloyd-George being heard above all the rest. There was a call for the "Nos." Deep silence. The bill was well on its way to passage.

The woman who achieved this personal triumph has been doing good all her life. She began by throwing herself into social work on the Vale of Glamorgan railway to improve the condition of the navvies. For ten years she was National Vice President of the Y. M. C. A. Then for six years she did social work in India and was secretary of the Student Movement in southern India. She organized the war-time appeal of the Y. M. C. A. in Great Britain and raised over £250,000. She joined the Labour party several years ago. She is the author of a number of books, mainly dealing with religious subjects.

FAMOUS ROME CHURCH.



The impressive church of St. John Lateran, with its adjacent palace, is one of the sights of Rome.

It was once the church of the Popes and here they were formerly crowned. Here, also, Pope Pius XI and Premier Mussolini, in 1929, signed the accord settling long-standing difference between the church and the Italian Government.

In its early history the church was most honoured of all Christian churches and became a treasure house. But when the Vandals pillaged Rome, the Lateran lost its sacred vessels of gold and silver.

An earthquake wrecked the church in 986, but it was soon reconstructed and stood for four

centuries until it was destroyed again, this time by fire. Another church was built, but it also burned.

The present structure was erected in 1650 and the front was added in the 18th century.

Many fine paintings and interesting memorials decorate the interior of the church. Two museums, chiefly of sculpture, are to be found in the palace.

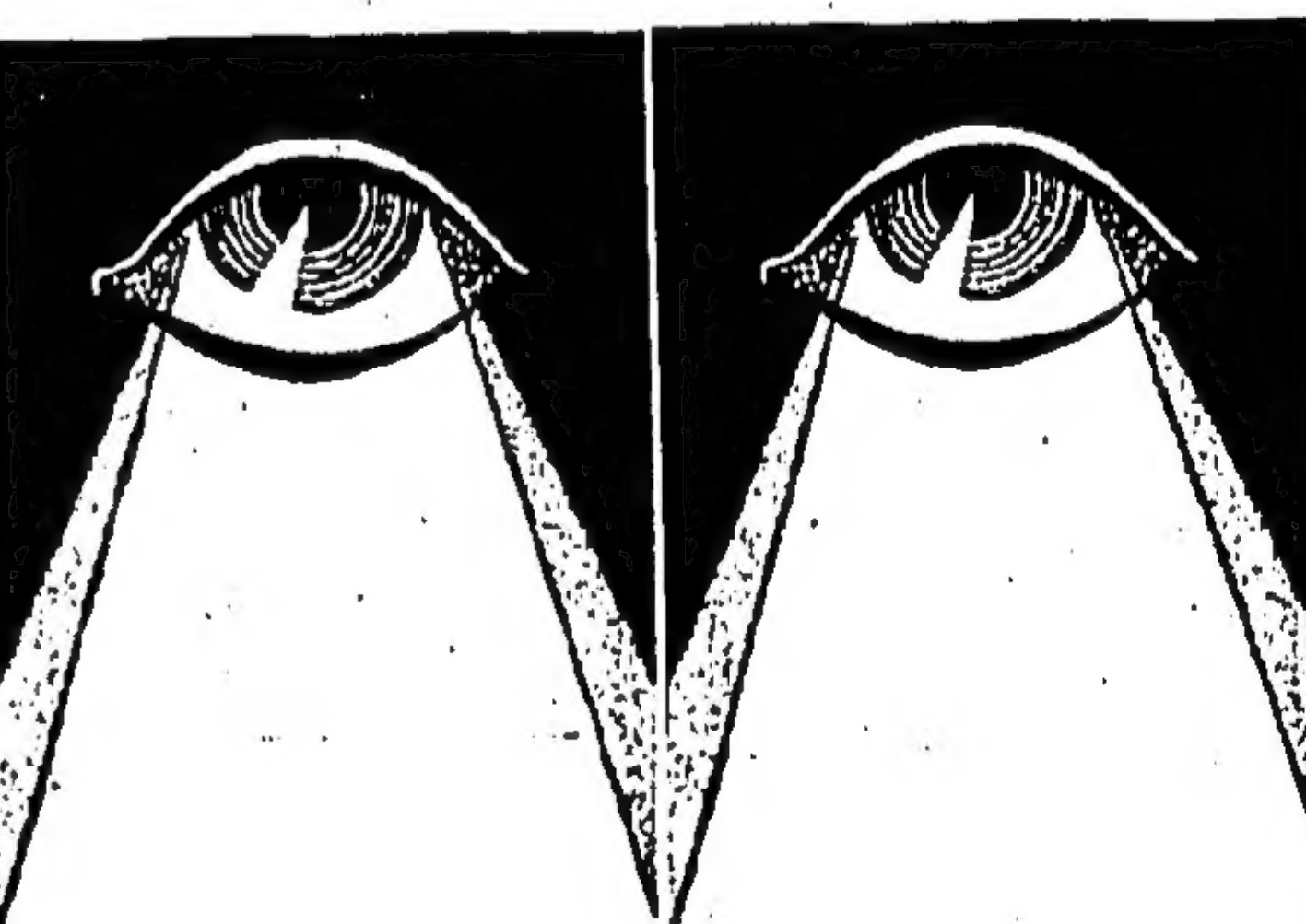
The famous "Scala Santa," the Sacred Steps, which are said to be those up which Christ walked in the house of Pilate, are near the church. No foot is allowed to touch them. Pilgrims sometimes ascend them on their knees.

St. John Lateran is located on the opposite side of the city from St. Peter's and the Vatican.

EFFECTIVE STUDY OF A CHILD.



This effective photographic study of a little English girl wearing a Chinese bonnet, much to the interest of the youthful onlookers, was taken in the Hongkong Botanical Gardens by Leung Shiu-hung, a pupil of Kobza, the well-known art photographer.



"Your Eyes Our Care"

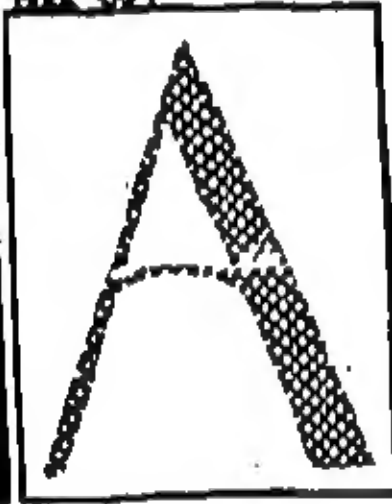
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gray may be a demure color, but it makes up in charming fashion in this street suit of Leda cloth, banded with platinum fox, which is worn by June Collyer.



by Travis Banton

who designs all costumes worn before the camera by Paramount picture players

AFTER eight weeks in the fashion capitals of Europe, I have concluded that the coming season will be the most colorful in the history of fashion. By colorful I mean that the reign of black, navy blues and subdued tones is over after a dictatorship in the realm of fashion lasting more than 10 years.

Paris is color mad. The famous couturiers state that no well-dressed woman can afford to ignore colors this spring because they are the very foundation of the entire season's mode.

This news should not be greeted with enthusiastic shopping expeditions into the yardage departments, with the net result a rainbow effect. The selection of colors and shadings will not be an easy matter, since fashion demands careful contrasts, but offers no fixed rules on the subject.

It is advisable to include at least two and sometimes three colors in every outfit. It is also chic to select a dark coat for a light frock, or a light coat for a dark frock.

Color schemes favored by the woman spending the winter in Paris and the Riviera include warm brown and copper red, deep blue and ripe corn yellow, dark red and ink blue, navy blue and maize, brown and bud-green, brown and rusty orange and dark blue and gray.

Plaids in gay and brilliant combinations of colors are of tremendous importance. No one will escape the epidemic of the plaids during the spring and ensuing summer. I found them everywhere, on street frocks, blouses, pajamas, sports attire and chignon evening gowns.

The lines of the new costumes divide their favor between the bias cut and deep diagonal wrappings. The spiral drapery that swatches the figure is also used for evening gowns with astonishing success. The tendency is definitely toward glorifying feminine curves.

MENTIONING curves brings up the ever-interesting subject of the ideal figure. Although Paris is no longer afraid of curves, there is no indication that the extremely slender figure is on the wane. The new modes still demand well-proportioned slenderness to be worn correctly and with chic. It is my advice to all women doubtful about the return of curves to adhere to their diets.

The first question put to me when I arrived in New York had to do with skirt lengths. This still seems to remain a puzzling problem to the women of America. I found the hemlines doing much the same thing that they were doing last fall. Street skirts are nearer the ankle than the knee, sports skirts usually reach midway-between-knee-and-ankle point. Surprisingly enough, evening skirts are almost a shade shorter than last season! Some of the cleverest of the evening gowns displayed in Paris are slashed and slit at the hem, making them delightfully light and graceful about the ankles.

During the winter months, pajamas have become one of the most important items in the wardrobe of the smart woman. I found the chic Parisiennes wearing them on every conceivable occasion. They dine with guests at home clad in pajamas that borrow their elaborate effects from dinner gowns and evening costumes. They wear them in the boudoir, at tea time with guests at home, on the beach and on yachts. They may be as dignified, as amusing, as elaborate or as simple as the individual desires, and they may be created in almost any material ranging from satin to sailcloth.

HATS continue to shrink in size, with slight leanings toward the 1860 pancake type of millinery. The new chapeaux permit two-thirds of the hair to show, which will probably revolutionize fashions in coiffures. But more about hair later. Timings in the form of ostrich tips, aigrettes and flowers are making timid debuts on the hats of the mannequins seen at the races. As yet the approval of that small group of women who pass upon the artistry of the Parisian designers has not been offered.

For midsummer the large hat with half brims of tulle will be seen. The natural straw with sharply drooping brim will also be used with the spectator sports costume. Straw that is soft and pliable will be used more than the unyielding type.



Fay Wray makes a bright move in the color game when she steps out in this tomato suit of basketweave material trimmed in black galyack.

Hollywood designers, whose styles for the leading ladies of filmdom must be six months in advance of the current mode, look forward to the coming season as being one of the most colorful in dress history



TRAVIS BANTON

even though you don't swim a stroke, you would linger by the sea if you had Juliette Compton's white Jersey beach pajamas whose blue flowers match the taffeta jacket.



this hat of dust-pink linen droops flatteringly in a romantic, yet piquant, mood to make a frame for Juliette Compton's face.

THE completely smart material for evening gowns is roma crepe. Satin, lame, chiffon, and soufflé have all taken a second place. Black gowns are often combined with wraps of pale pink or white trimmed with kolinsky or sable. When pastel shades are used it is a little more chic to add a wrap of the exact color of the dress. Some of the interesting shades are dust pink, deep blue and corn yellow.

Suits are of colossal import this year. The woman of limited income may select suits to the exclusion of all frocks. She should be very careful to choose jackets and skirts that are cleverly but softly tailored, offering extremely feminine results.

Hair, by the way, is getting longer. There is little use in attempting to stem the tide. The bob must grow. I noticed enthusiasm for the new jeweled hair clips, which I look upon as the very beginnings of a mode that will cover the hair with ornaments for formal occasions.

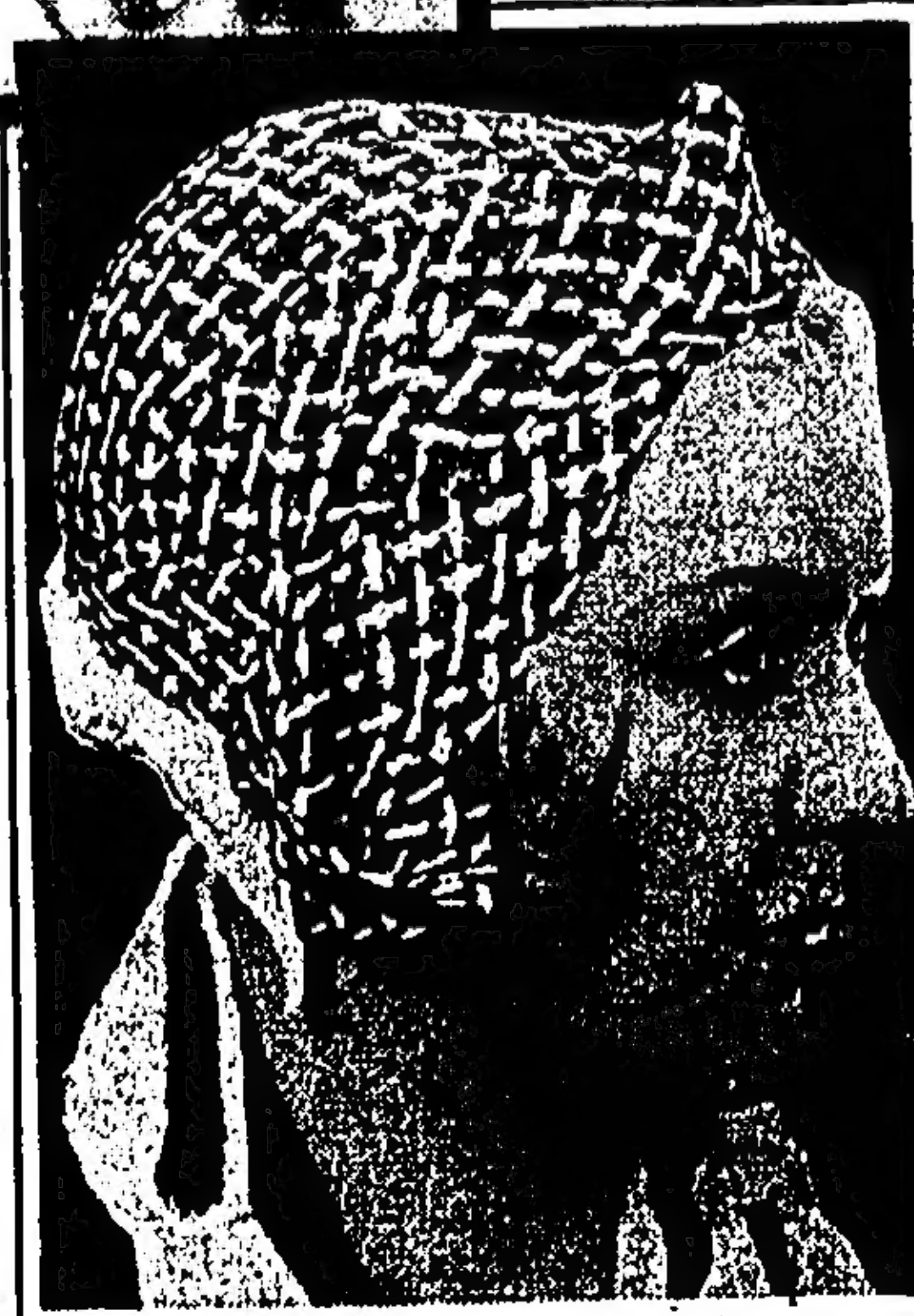
There is no established length for skirts, but every woman is permitted to choose the length which is the most graceful . . . and the most comfortable. Incidentally, the two have a habit of going together. An awkward length for one woman may be the perfect length for another, for just an inch has power to increase or decrease the effectiveness of your costume.

Hips continue to be form fitted. Lines continue to be straight. There is a spirit of youth in the up-and-down movement that no other style possesses.

Brown is playing a strong note in the spring color harmony, too, although it is usually associated with the mellow tones of autumn. Many women who have brown hair and eyes find that they snap into new eagerness when they are given a brown background, whereas a black one takes away their gleam. To be brown is to be quite in the mode. Warm colors are very effective with brown.



June MacCloy mixes her colors when she wears this gaily important chapeau of hand-woven bright blue and white straw.



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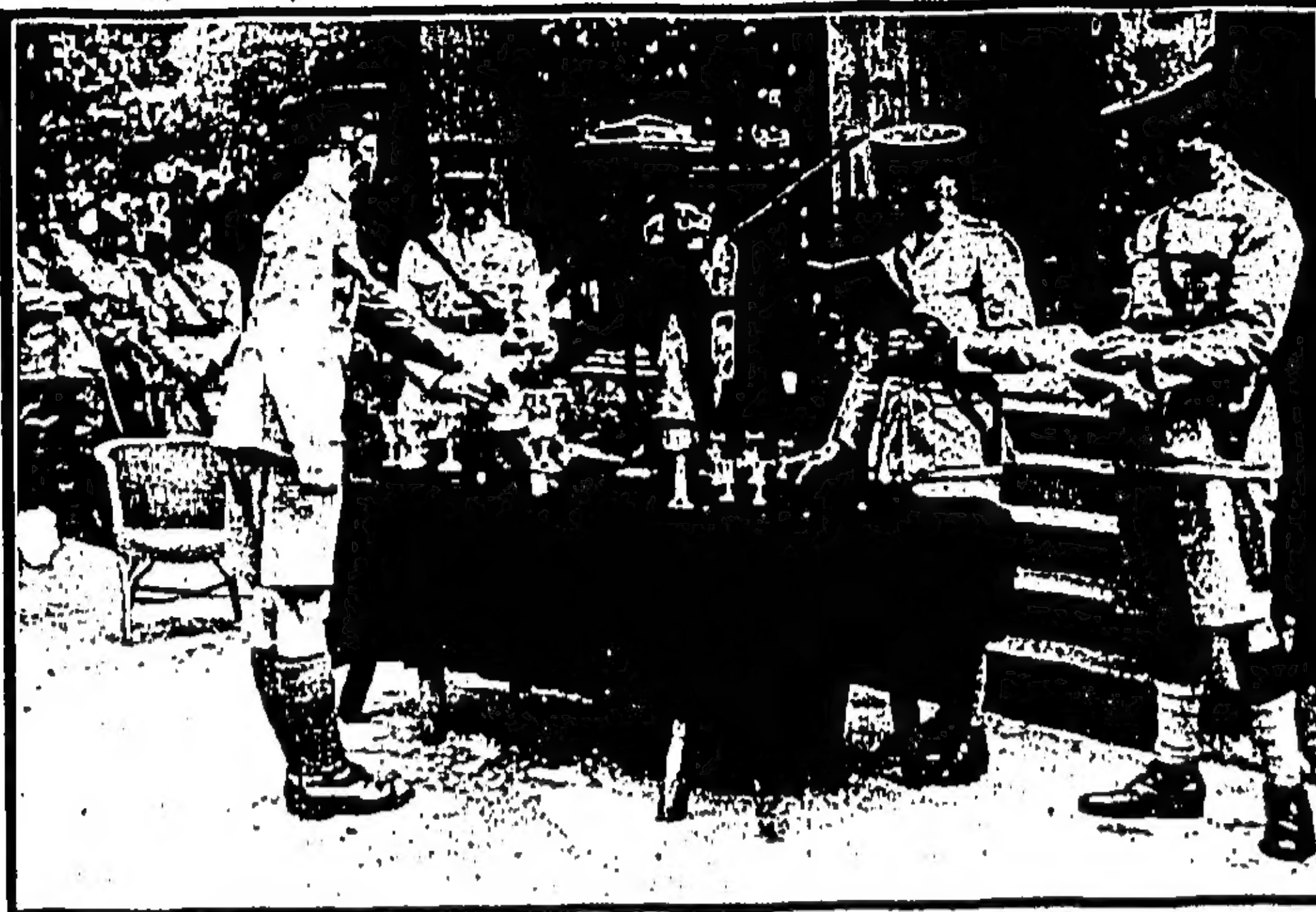
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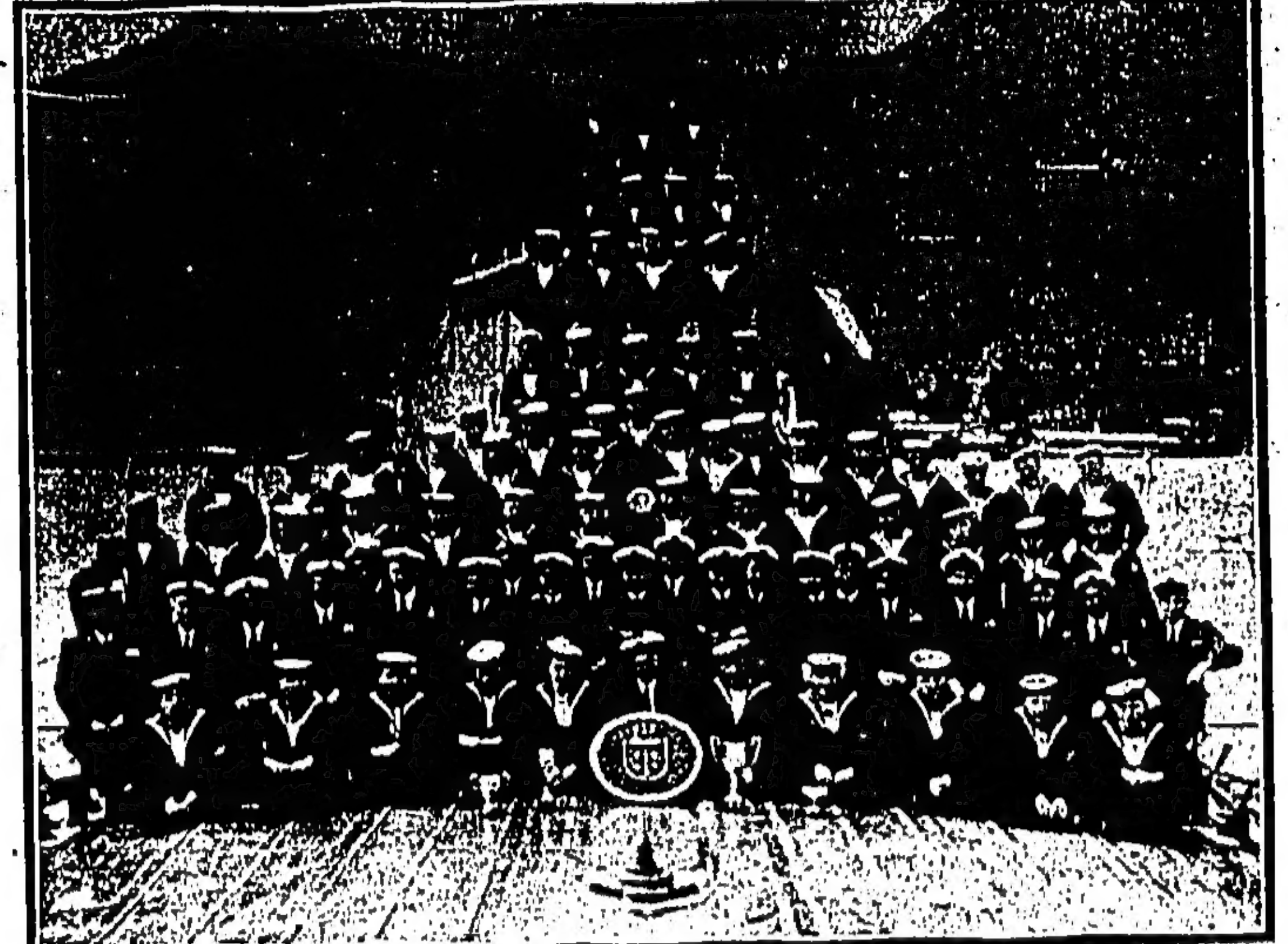
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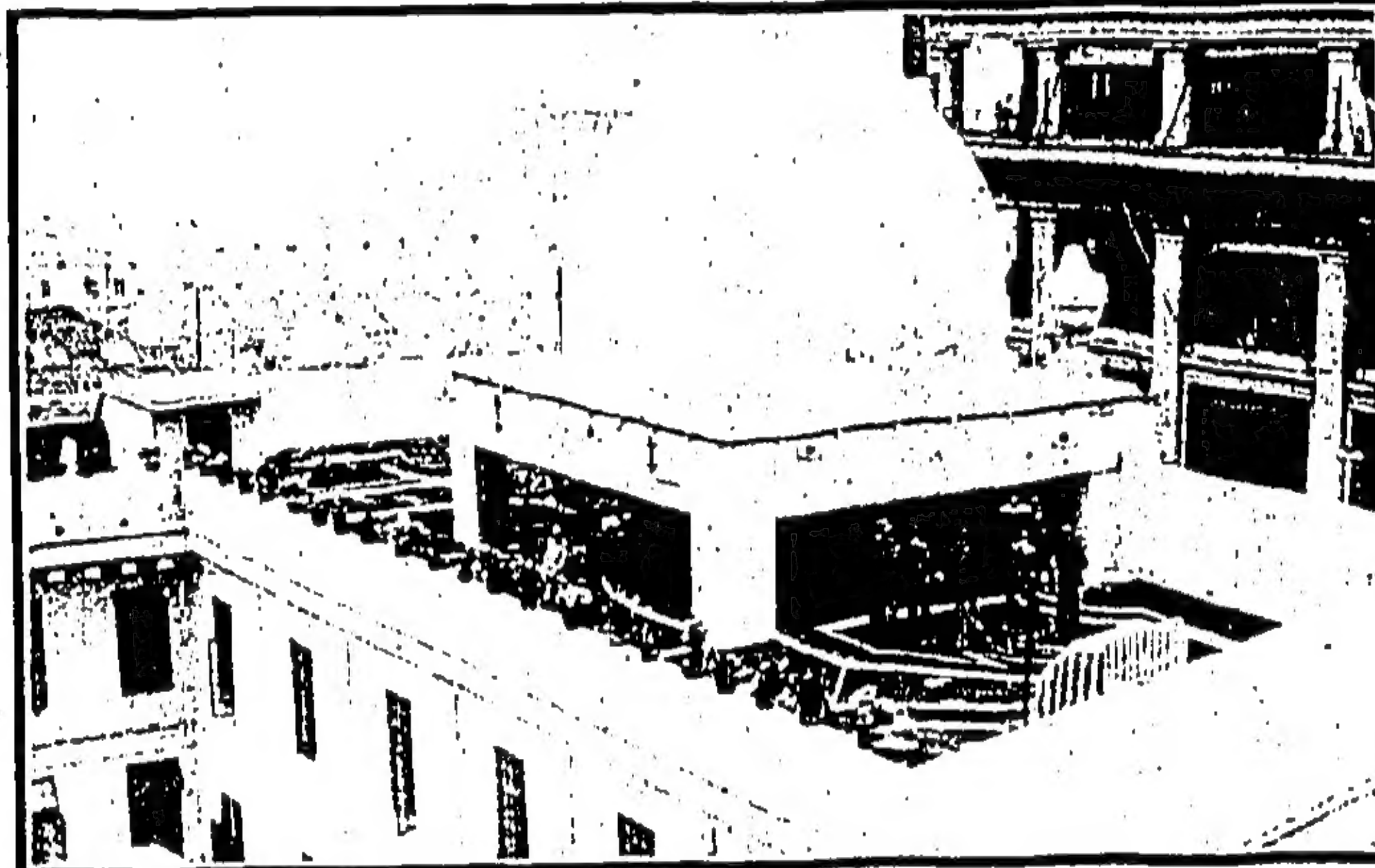
MEN'S OUTFITTING DEPT.
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Mrs. R. F. Gross, wife of the Officer Commanding the South Wales Borderers in Hongkong, is here shown distributing to men of the Battalion prizes won at the recent annual sports. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).



Officers and men of H.M. Thracian, with sporting trophies. The photograph was taken aboard the destroyer in Hongkong harbour. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A glimpse of the King's Miniature Golf Course, situate on the roof garden of the King's Theatre, where excellent facilities for the game are provided.



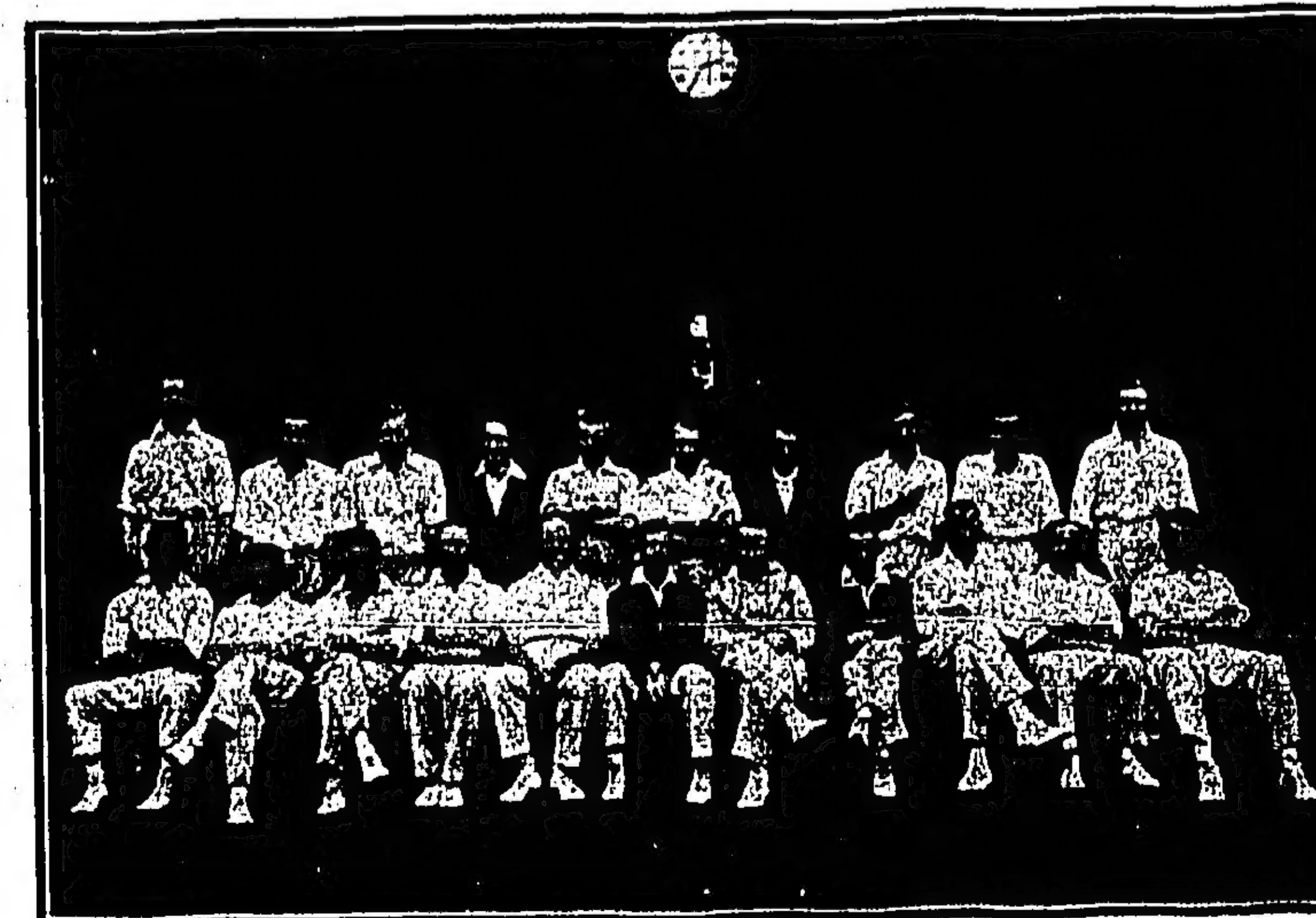
Here are seen the artists who took part in the cabaret show at the Canton Club Theatre last Saturday. Left to right: Back row, Messrs. Wolf, Neckleman, Wood, Biggs, Mienich, Hall; front row, Mesdames Tuson, Younghusband, Hall, Phillips, Manning, Cruickshank, Arndt and Beer. (Photo: Ah Fong).



In this picture taken in Shanghai, Sir Robert Ho Tung is seen seated in centre of second row. The occasion was a reception given in his honour by members of the United Photoplay Service, Ltd., of which Sir Robert is Chairman of Directors.



The finish of the three-legged race at the Royal Artillery sports at Sookunpoo is shown in the above picture. (photo: Mee Cheung).

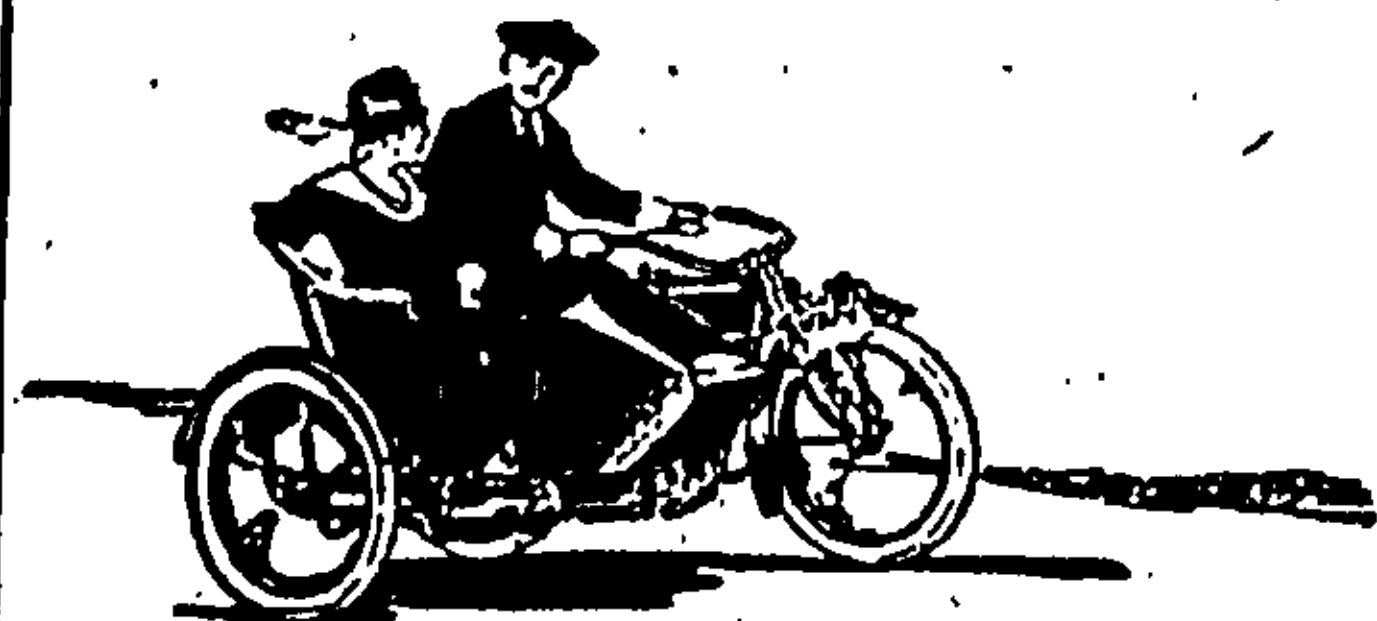


Wayfoong (Hongkong and Shanghai Bank) defeated Taikoo (Butterfield and Swire) in a cricket match played on the H. K. C. C. ground on Saturday. The above photograph of the teams was taken during the afternoon. (Photo: Ming Yuen Studio).

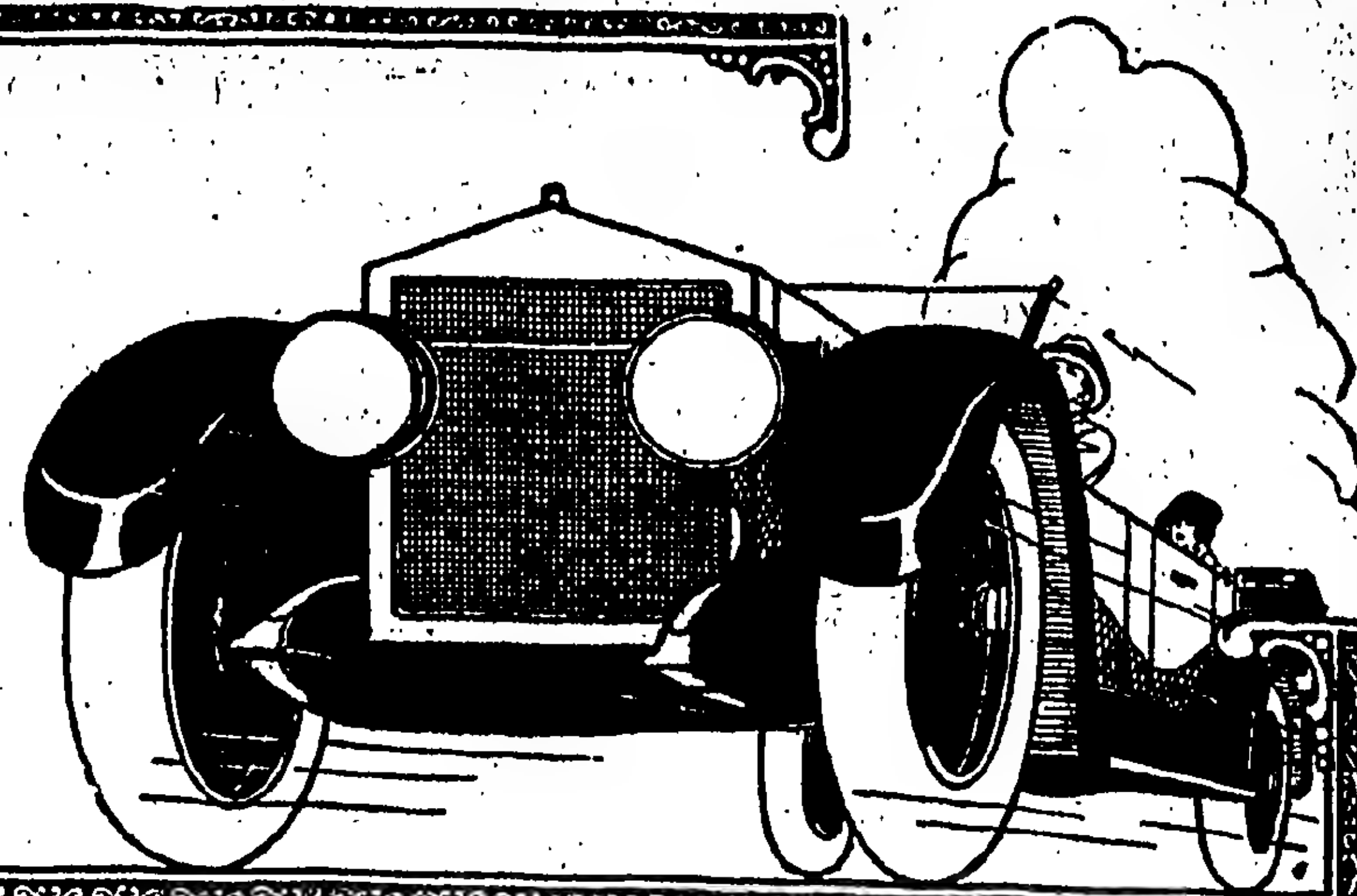


A study in facial expressions. The photo shows cargo coolies at work in Shanghai. (Photo: Kobza).

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Motor Ambulances.

Given the support of such an influential body of local residents as the Rotary Club, the movement, so ably inaugurated by the St. John Ambulance Brigade, which aims at increasing the number of motor ambulances in Hongkong, should prove most successful. That Hongkong is inadequately provided with motor ambulances has been demonstrated in the past, for occasions have occurred when considerable delay has been caused in removing badly injured people to hospital, owing to the ambulances either being otherwise engaged, or temporarily out of commission. It has to be remembered that these vehicles are also employed in removing sick people from their homes to hospital, sometimes from far removed districts. At all times, motor ambulances should be available to rush to serious accidents, for as we have so often stressed, a delay of minutes may prove fatal.

Volunteering.

The picture which is shown on this page to-day, illustrates one of the popular branches of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps—the Armoured Car Company and Motor Cycle Machine Gun Section. It is unfortunate that owing to departures for Home, the ranks have been somewhat depleted, although it is confidently anticipated that other motor-cycling enthusiasts will soon swell the numbers. The work is extremely interesting, and despite what some critics may say to the contrary, such an efficient and well-equipped mobile section would prove of the greatest value should occasion demand. Happily, there is little possibility of the Volunteers being required for serious work, but the old motto of "Defence Not Defiance" is quite appropriate. For a young fellow living in Hongkong, this section of the Volunteer Corps does offer a most attractive interest, and it is not unlikely that before very long, the full complement will have enlisted, and that there will even be difficulty in securing admission to the "crack" Company of the H. K. V. D. C.

IN ROUMANIA.

Despite the fact that the political condition of Roumania during recent months has been subject to many disturbances, the new Morris-Commercial Depot established in Bucharest is making considerable headway, and truck sales are increasing. The Factory Representative has just placed a further order on the Works for twenty vehicles to be shipped immediately.

BIG MONEY IN LIGHT WORK.



When a motorist around Los Angeles has headlamp trouble, he makes light of it. Young men on motorcycles have made a regular business of repairing the lights. Spying one out, they inform the motorist and offer to make repairs for fifty cents. Here is one of the headlight service men at work. They report earnings of from \$50 to \$80 a week.

THE ARMOURD CAR COMPANY ON PARADE.



The above picture, taken at the Annual Inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, by the General Officer Commanding, shows the Armoured Car Company and Mobile Machine Gun Section. This branch is particularly popular.

ARE YOU THERE?

£16,000 Telephone Order.

The following is quoted from the London Times of 2nd January: "The first public telephone call over the new direct circuit line from Argentina to Great Britain was an order for over sixty Morris-Commercial vehicles, received from Buenos Aires on 16th December at the Soho Works, Birmingham. This order, which represents in value over £16,000, was put in hand immediately, and within a few days after the telephone message all the vehicles were on board the s.s. Upwey Grange for South America. A special train was chartered to take the vehicles from Birmingham to the docks."

TAXES GOING UP.

Taxes paid by common carrier buses in the United States have increased 146 per cent in the last five years, as compared with a gain of only 23 per cent in the number of buses, according to the National Association of Motor Bus Operators.

THE "PILOT."

A New Thornycroft Marine Engine.

MAIN FEATURES.

An interesting addition has recently been made by John I. Thornycroft and Co., Ltd., to their wide range of marine engines by introducing a new medium powered four-cylinder model, to be known as their "Pilot" type R11/4 engine.

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The new engine can be supplied with reducing gear, enabling a larger propeller to be employed for larger craft and an interesting innovation is the provision of a "return drive" gear, by which the engine can be placed right aft in the boat and the propeller shaft driven from its forward end of the crankshaft, an arrangement which presents many advantages.

The new Thornycroft "Pilot" engine has been enthusiastically received by boat builders, and one firm who are laying themselves out to produce large quantities of a 20 ft. cabin cruiser of standard design have decided to adopt this engine for their standard equipment.

FOR CHILE.

Thornycroft Launches.

A pair of useful launches are in course of construction at Thornycroft's Hampton-on-Thames Yard for service in the Chilean Air Force.

Of 45 ft. in length, the launches are built of tank and are copper sheathed. Twin Thornycroft engines, each of 140 b.h.p., will be installed, and with this power a speed of 18 miles per hour is anticipated.

BUSES BETTER.

Royal Commission Condemns the Tram.

The Royal Commission on Transport has pronounced its decision on the tramway system as a whole. The tram has been found to be completely out of date as a means of transport, and must be replaced by some "other form of transport." Naturally enough, the "other form of transport" which has been chosen by Municipalities is the high-powered four-wheel double-deck omnibus, and many of them have already commenced substituting buses for trams.

HOW'S YOUR MILEAGE?

An estimate based on gasoline consumption in the United States last year indicates that motor vehicles travelled a total of 162 billion miles, the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce reports.

READY TO DO BATTLE.



Uncle Sam has turned his attention from battleships to battle-wagons. Above is the latest type of light armoured car which was recently tested at Ft. Eustis, Va. It is operated by three men, has a road speed of 60 miles an hour and a cruising range of 300 miles on one filling of oil and gas. It carries two machine guns.

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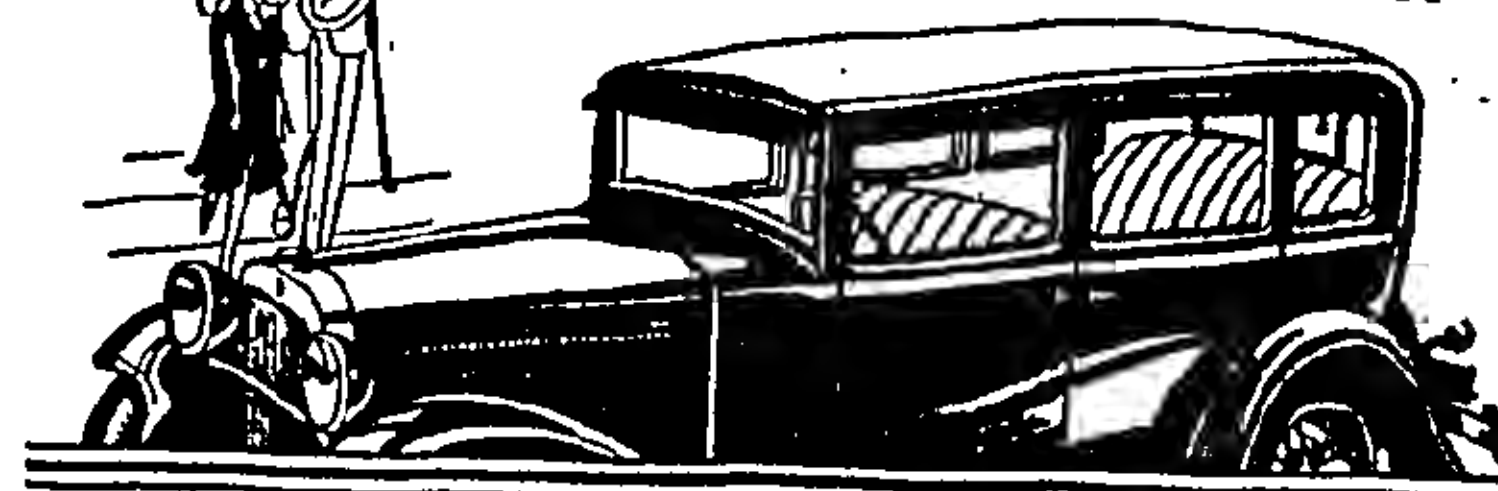
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The American Automobile Association estimates that vacation tours in the United States last year cost motorists of the country \$3,200,000,000.

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KAYE DON CAR.

**New Streamlined Model
Being Built.**

NOT FREAKISH.

London, March 19th. Sir Malcolm Campbell set a new speed record in the United States and Kaye Don failed. Yet the latter is to receive the honour of having England's newest motor named for him.

The new car, called the Kaye Don, will be put on the market by a Coventry firm shortly. It was designed by Sir Dennistoun Burney, one of the designers of the dirigible R-100. The same streamlining effect used on the dirigible has been carried out on the new car. In the Kaye Don model pains have been taken to cut down wind resistance to the minimum and the resulting design is something new in automobiles, although it is not to the point of being freakish.

The makers report that at speeds of 50 miles an hour about 45 per cent of the horsepower of the ordinary automobile is used in overcoming the resistance to the wind set up by flat surfaces. At 75 miles an hour 85 per cent of the horsepower is used in this connection.

The present design has been adopted to eliminate this waste, and it is believed the car will be a good deal faster by reason of the design of the body, without any need for increasing engine power.

LONDON'S AERIAL DEFENCE.

Multiple-Barrelled Machine Gun Designed.

The aerial bugaboo which has hung over London since the war-time raids by German Zeppelins and Gothas is only now being laid with the successful trials of the improved type of anti-aircraft gun for use on sea and land. The Imperial War Council long has worried over the increasing vulnerability of London to air attack and has continually sought new weapons with which to forestall air raids on the empire's capital. Now, however, the improved type of anti-aircraft gun for use on land and sea seems to fulfill a need.

The new weapon is a multiple machine gun of considerable size with an extremely rapid rate of fire, and furthermore has projectiles large enough to stop any planes which fly in a constant stream. These guns have been mounted aboard the battleships and cruisers of the British fleet and eventually will be adopted to increase the aerial defenses of the cities and dockyards of England.

The new guns, ordnance experts declare, may cause a complete re-estimate of the powers of aircraft in low-flying attacks on targets. Although the new weapon does not replace the ordinary anti-aircraft gun firing shells, it is confidently hoped that with the new instrument it will be possible successfully to engage low-flying aircraft whose object it is to drop torpedoes and bombs.

Experts here do not assert that the new gun will be able to engage planes flying at altitudes of 5,000 to 15,000 feet, which still must be left larger guns, but they do believe that the new gun, dis-

charging a which all of its many barrels are comparatively small projectile, in which all of its many barrels are fired simultaneously, will act much the same way as a shotgun used to drive away marauding birds.

These new weapons, which already have been mounted aboard ships of the British fleet, will go a long way toward strengthening the defense of "Britain's iron wall" against all forms of attack by aircraft, and therefore remove a menace which not long ago was considered the most dangerous. When adapted for land use, which will not be difficult, the new gun will increase aerial defenses of cities and dockyards.

There are two types of the aerial machine guns—one having eight barrels, the other four. Naturally, the greatest secrecy is being preserved as to the methods for aiming the new guns and for controlling their mountings.

Naval gunnery experts, however, are now satisfied they have produced a weapon which meets all requirements. It is known here that other navies are working along the same line.

During the recent manoeuvres at sea it was noticeable that high British naval officers viewed with equanimity the spectacular attacks made by air upon their ships. This was because they knew that were it possible to take counter measures there would be another story. Now that the new gun is being introduced there will be an even greater feeling that aircraft can be driven off or shot down before serious damage is done.

SAFETY-GLASS.

Said to Have Been Discovered by Accident.

FRENCH CLAIM.

Paris, Mar. 16.—A dropped test tube in the laboratory of a French poet-chemist, Edouard Benedictus, who died last year, is said to have been responsible for modern safety glass used in most automobiles.

Benedictus accidentally knocked down a test tube. It fell to the floor and failed to break. The chemist investigated and found that while the glass had cracked into many pieces, each piece was held to the next by a dried up mixture which had been in the tube for years. He analyzed the mixture and found it to be alcohol, ether, acetone, amy acetate and trinitro-cellulose.

The discovery resulted in his invention of safety glass.

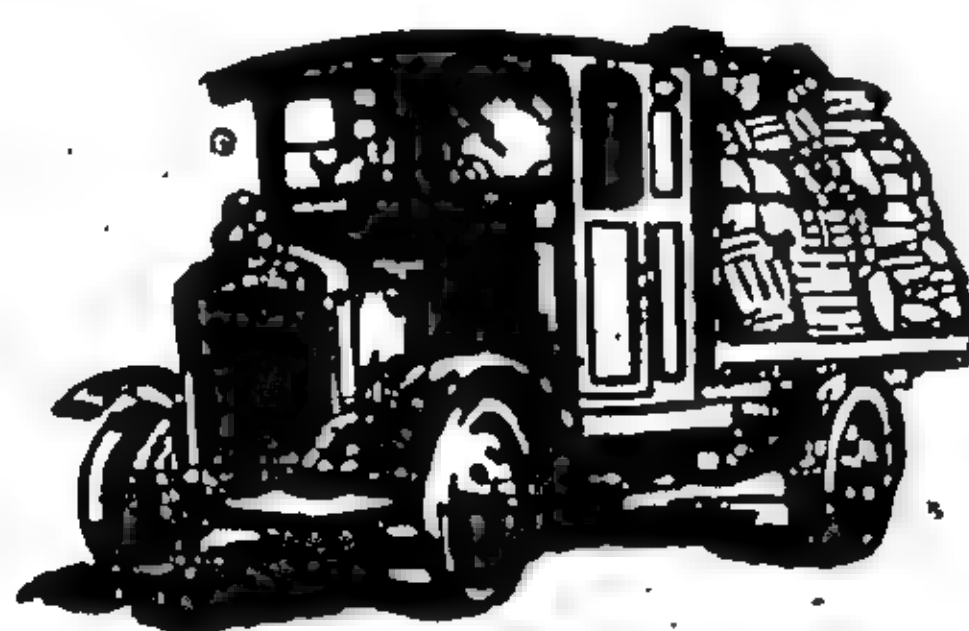
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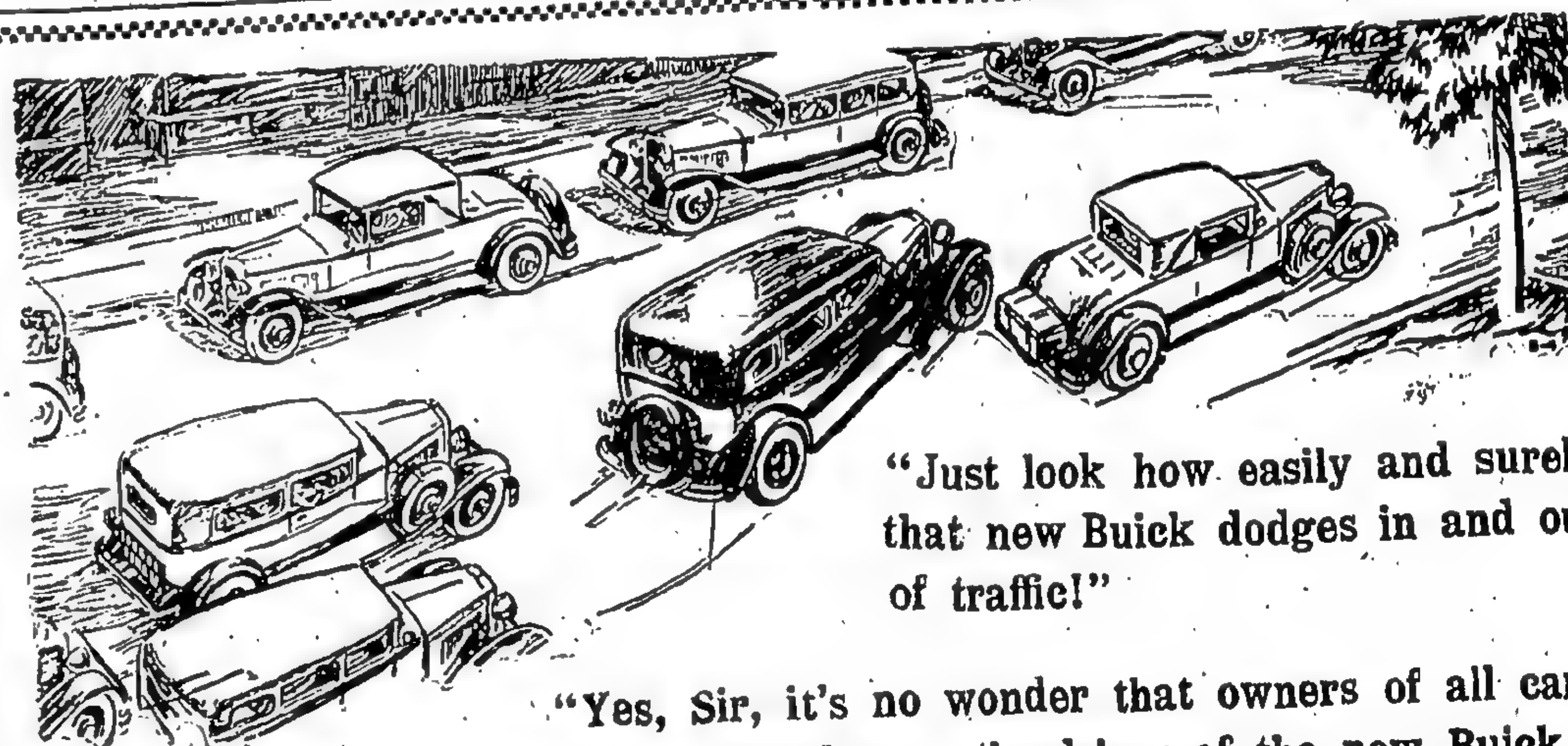
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IF I WERE BUYING— SECOND-HAND



HINTS AND SUGGESTIONS.

By M. W. W. THOMAS.

(By Special Arrangement with "The Morris Owner").

Without doubt, the tyro, who ventures into the second-hand market can obtain better value for his money at the present time than at any period in motoring history. Providing he pays a fair price for a good car and continues his choice to a well-known British make, he is entitled to a full expectation of pleasure and service. For modern cars at any rate Morris cars have many, many more years of life built into them than one owner usually consumes.

Go to a Dealer.

British cars in their sixth and seventh year may frequently be had for anything upwards of £250; a reliable, roadworthy proposition with a good turn of speed, and a long period of useful life still available.

If I were making an earnest run into the second-hand market to obtain my first car, I should not certainly go to a reputable dealer. I am not saying that there are not bargains to be had from the private owner; but I do believe that a conscientious dealer can give better value for money to the tyro than the average private individual, and a little reflection will show that this is to be expected.

The man with his first car obviously requires one with a very high degree of mechanical perfection. He must expect some worn parts, but they should be relatively few, otherwise the car will be laid up for renewals, the nature of which quite possibly the new owner does not understand in the least.

I would not hesitate for a minute to say that the average dealer is far less likely to sell a car with important parts due for immediate renewal than a private owner. The latter has neither the facilities nor the inclination to put the car in first-class condition for somebody else. With the dealer, on the other hand, it is a matter not only of conscience but of good business. He is still there and readily accessible if the new owner comes back to complain, and also at some later date when he comes back for a new car of the same make.

What to Expect.

I should expect my second-hand purchase, if it were a recent model, to have a good performance. As regards speed, for instance, I should expect, say, ninety per cent. of the accredited maximum for the model concerned. For instance, a Morris Minor is good for fifty miles per hour; I should be well satisfied with forty-five miles per hour on the speedometer of a second-hand model.

The upholstery and internal equipment of the car I should expect to be clean and uniform if I were paying the current market price for the particular year and model on offer. If a car is accorded the ordinary consideration given to furniture, there is no need for the upholstery to be very shabby, and if the owner had been so neglectful as to permit it to become damaged, I should expect him either to have it renewed or make an allowance in cash accordingly. I should not, of course, be unreasonable and expect a car which had never been sat in.

I certainly should not buy a car without a trial run unless I were very sure of the vendor. A satisfactory trial run of five or six miles over given-and-take roads is really a far better index to the average not-very-mechanically-minded individual than all the tapper feeling and compression testing in the world, whatever the pseudo experts may say on the subject. Spare parts for Morris cars are so reasonably priced that it is really far cheaper to put in new parts than to delay in the task of which need to in character for the second-hand sales some years ago, and there is, I fully, nowadays, nothing to fear in this direction.

Morris Parts only.

Incidentally, I should entirely myself that where renewals had become necessary only genuine Morris parts had been used. I should be suspicious of any car upon which I found a single non-Morris replacement, as I should not know how far the foolish owner was prepared to save shillings and spend pounds, which, of course, would be my pounds.

While I should regard the car's performance as the chief index to influence my purchase, there are certain points I should examine in order to get an idea of the amount of care bestowed upon the car generally, rather than in themselves being intrinsically serious.

For instance, I should feel the valve tappets for play, endeavouring to rock them from side to side, and I should do the same with one or two of the valves. I should make a casual examination of the steering connections and rock the front wheels from side to side to detect play, at the same time noticing if there was any appreciable wear in the wheel bearings.

Other things being equal, I should choose a car with good tyres. Five new tyres make a big hole in £15 and this is no small item in comparison with the purchase price of the second-hand car, especially if the vehicle be two or three seasons old.

Be Reasonable.

Of course, I should not expect a new car for the price of a second-hand one. I should naturally countenance one or two shortcomings, and I would much rather see these shortcomings in the bodywork than in the chassis. As a rule there is a tendency to choose second-hand cars for the appearance of the bodywork in preference to mechanical perfection, and there can be no denial that the man who spends his spare time with a polishing rag obtains a better price for his car than he—the better man of the two—who spends it with a spanner and oilcan, although, of course, we should look for a car that has had a balanced measure of attention in both directions.

The new owner can scarcely expect a full kit of tools, but on the other hand he ought to receive a jack, pump and wheel brace, especially as in nine cases out of ten the seller will be buying a new car and thus getting a complete outfit again.

But perhaps the most important thing to tell is that if I were buying second-hand I should buy now.

"VALVE SURGE."

Get the Best Out of Your Car.

USEFUL HINTS.

[By Israel Klein.]

Of extreme importance in the proper operation of your automobile are the valves and their accompanying parts. For it is in their exact timing and fitness that full power and economy can be had from the engine.

CLEARING THE ROADS.

More than 199,340 miles of highways in the United States were kept free of ice and snow in 1929, according to the U. S. Bureau of Roads. It is expected that this mileage will be increased during the present winter.

Engineers have been putting a great deal of research into the construction of these important parts, and have so far succeeded in producing a product that is capable of withstanding the tremendous heat and the incessant pounding it undergoes in the modern, high compression and high-speed engine.

So careful must they be in the design of valves that they have gone into a close study of such a valve mechanism as the spring, and they have produced a part

that has helped considerably in the operation of the motor.

One great difficulty engineers have succeeded in correcting of late has been what is called "valve surge."

A valve spring, like any other metal part, has a natural period of vibration. When the cam that operates the valve mechanism happens to be turning at a speed that coincides with this vibration period, the spring will begin to vibrate or surge.

The result of this surging is a bouncing motion which either delays the closing of the valve or causes the valve to bounce out of its seat. Thus the valves will open twice to each operation, and the hot gases in the cylinders, before they are ready for it, will escape through the slight opening made during the bounce, or resulting from the delayed valve action.

This leaking of usable explosive gas will show itself in backfiring and in loss of power. It will burn the valves and the valve seats, resulting in a poor fit even when there is no surge of the springs. It will also produce excessive wear on the entire valve mechanism and quick breakdown of the parts.

Engineers have tried to prevent valve surge by designing a type of dual, or multiple spring, one inside the other, and one spring acting as a sort of check on the other.

But after about 10,000 miles of use, even these double springs will weaken and break down under the strain of extremely fast and heavy impact. The cure, therefore, is replacement.

This is a mechanic's job, but it is well worth outlay. In fact, some service men advise, valve springs should be replaced every time the carbon is scraped and the valves ground. That's quite extreme, but it signifies the importance of having good, strong and workable springs in the valve mechanism.

The quick, hard work to which the valve springs are put eventually reduces their springiness and strength. The metal of which the springs are made is said to become fatigued and it breaks easily.

This deficiency will result in loss of power, overheating of the engine and backfiring. Worse yet, the timing of the valves will become inaccurate, both valves will be held open at the same time, for

a fraction of a second, and a great loss of valuable fuel and power will result.

Surging of the valve springs and delayed valve operation due to weakened springs will also reduce the time during which the valve itself is held tightly to the seat, where it is cooled while resting before its next lift. The result is a quickly overheated valve causing pre-ignition, noise and other defective operation.

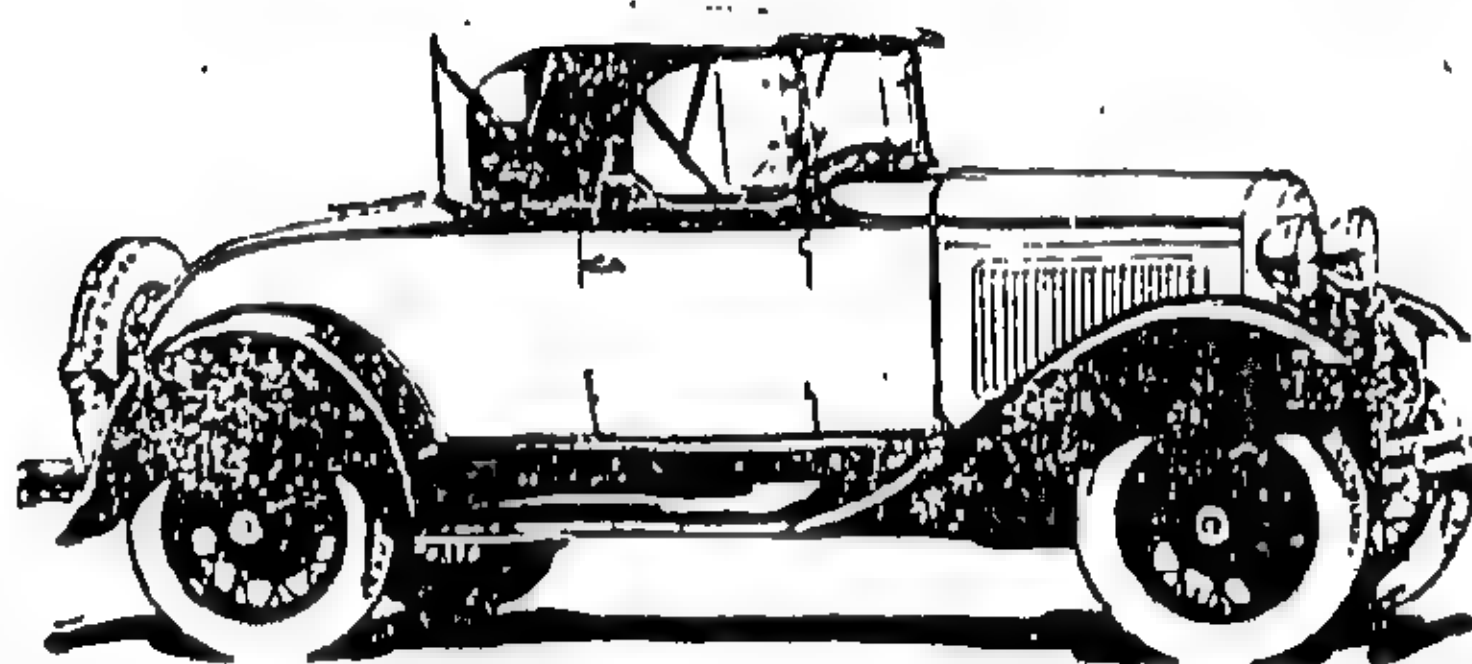
It is good practice, therefore, to renew the valve springs each year, or about every 10,000 miles. The springs should be exactly the same in size and strength as the originals, or the operation of the valves will be somewhat different from that for which the engine has been designed.

The exhaust valves particularly require this attention, because it is here that the hot gases pass and produce their most deteriorating effects.

"THE GHOST TRAIN."

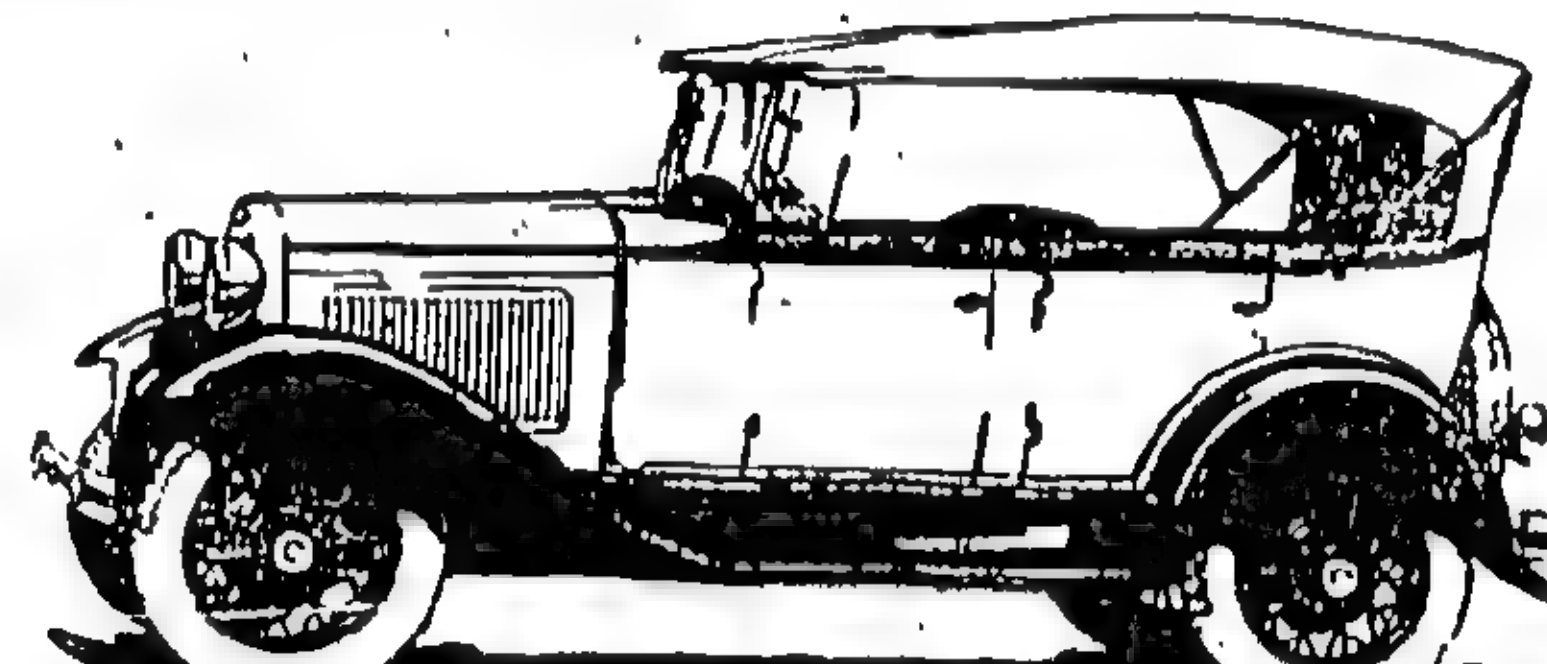
Known locally as "The Ghost Train," more than half Glasgow's house refuse is collected by a fleet of 46 Garrett electric vehicles.

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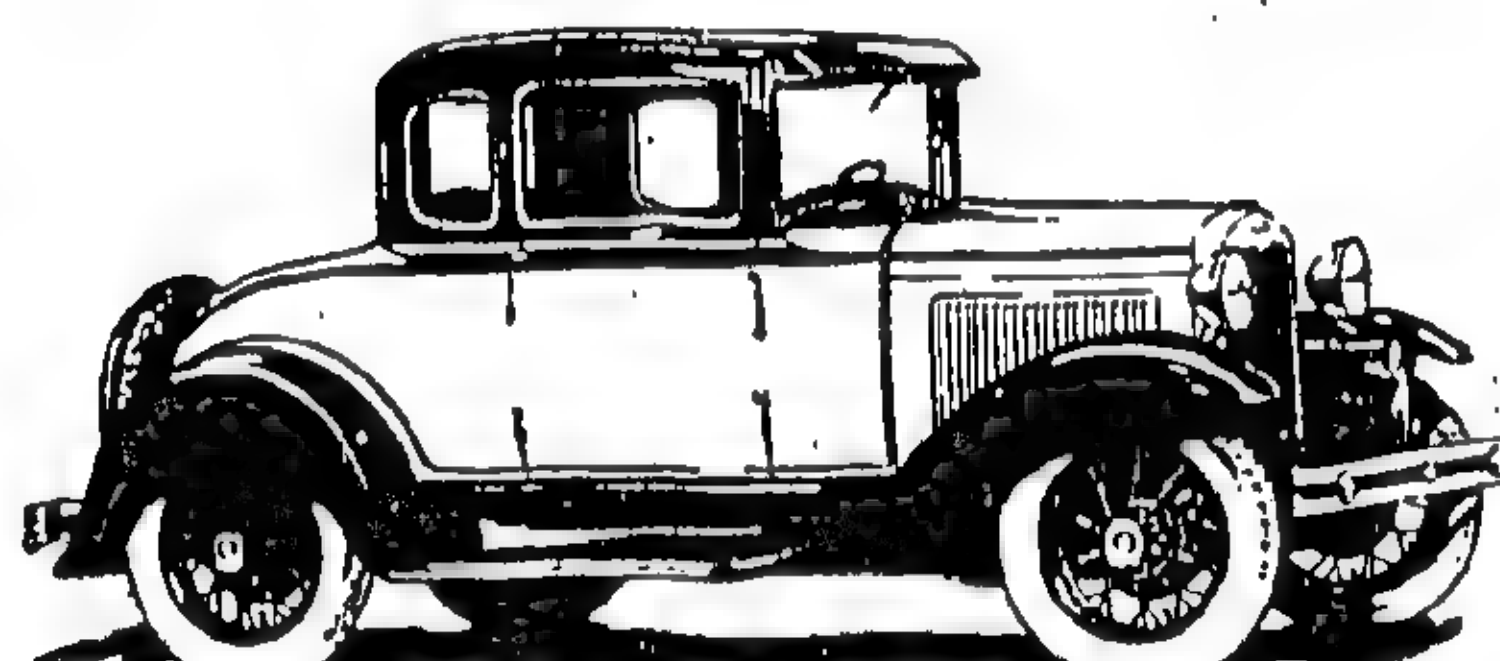
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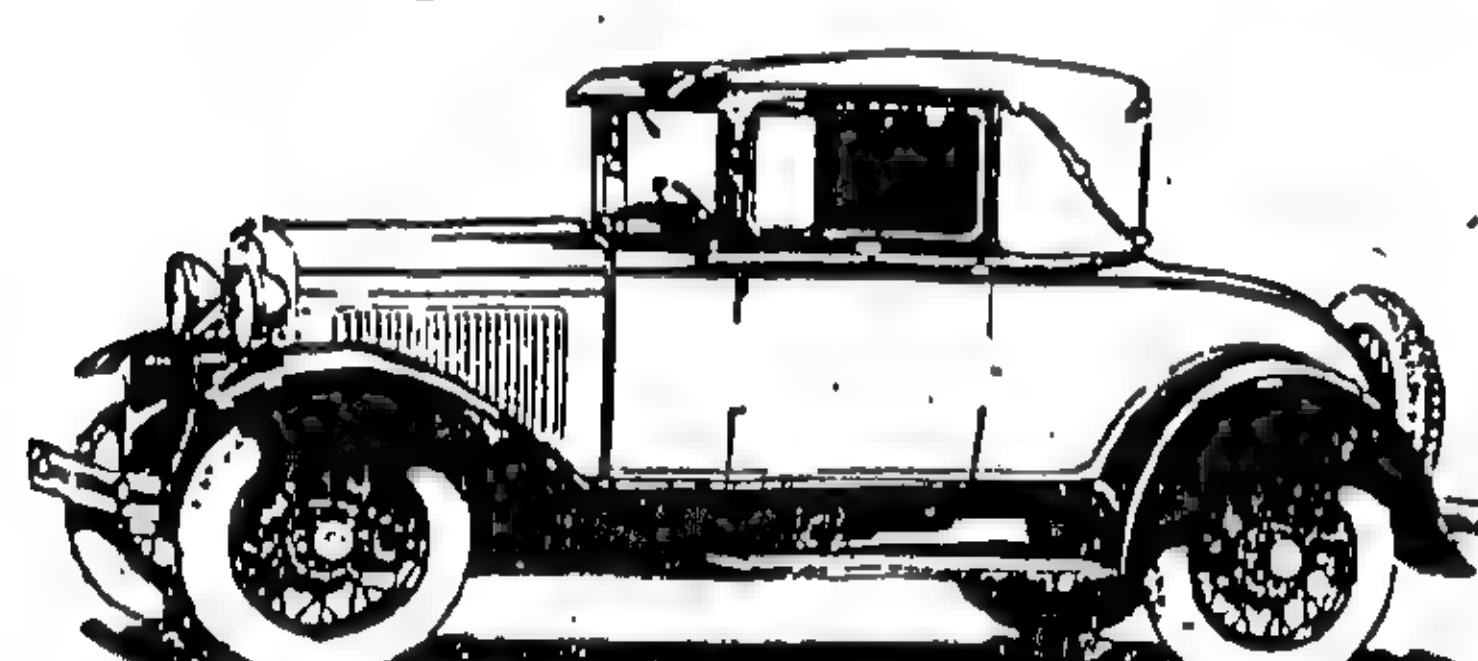
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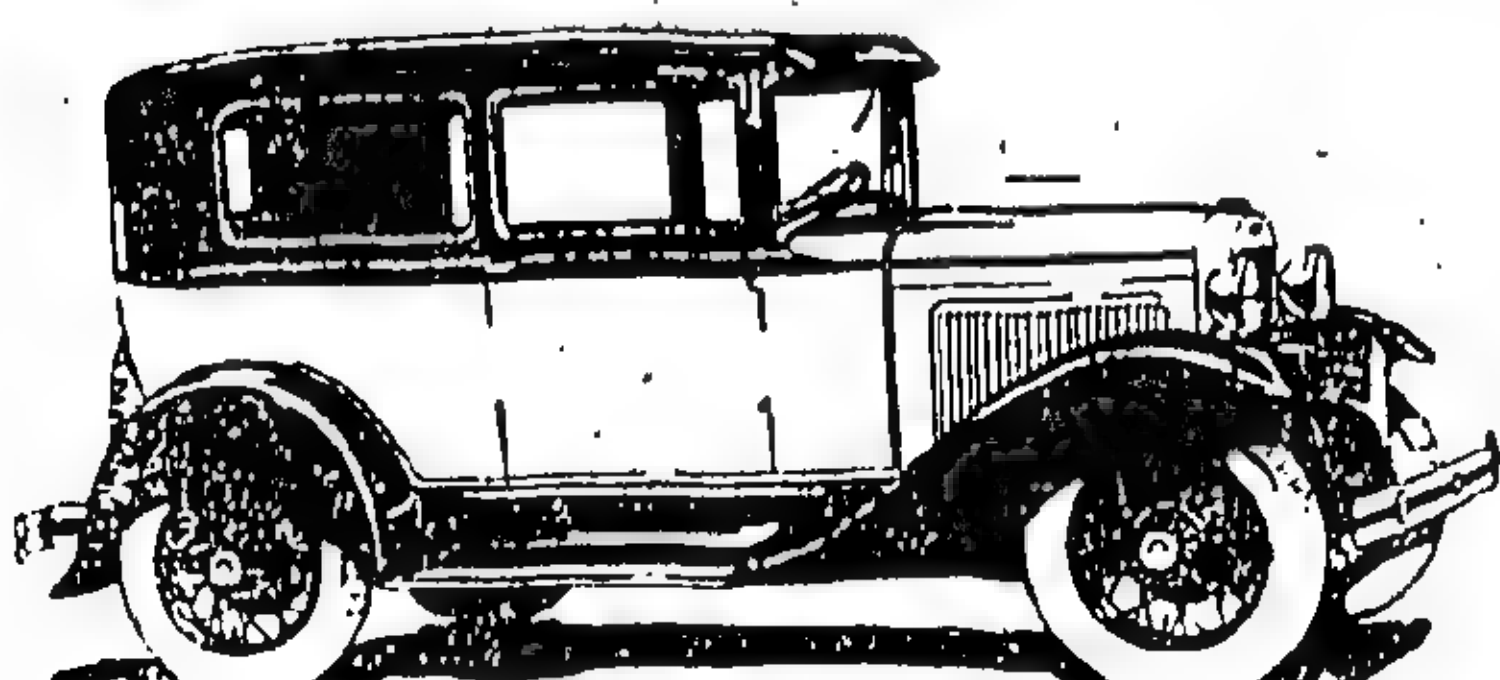
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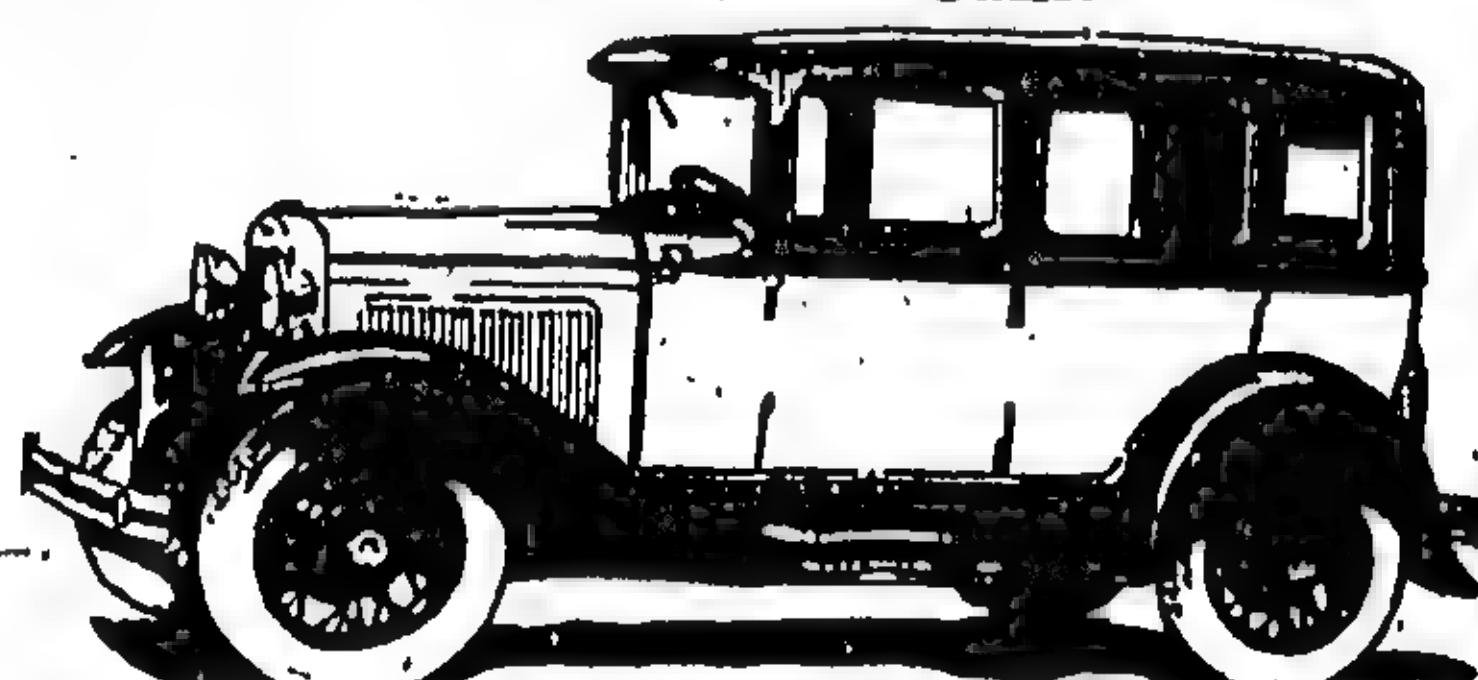
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SILVER PROBLEM.

(Continued from Page 1.)

from time immemorial, had been one of the two precious metals of the world, secondly, that silver was the metallic basis, as distinct from an exchange basis, of the currency of nearly half the population of the world; and thirdly that large numbers of men and women in the East, partly through distrust of their governments, had developed the habit of hoarding, principally silver.

Strain on Gold.

It was becoming more and more evident, Mr. Anderson said, that if the West tried to persist in its policy of superseding silver, the strain on gold might become altogether too heavy. If on the other hand, silver were rehabilitated on sound lines (and where there was a will there was a way) confidence throughout the East would be restored, a good deal of discontent allayed and prosperity come back, affecting the whole world. The general atmosphere appeared favourable for discussions. America, China, and even India were all ready. If Great Britain would co-operate in constructive measures for dealing with this great problem, an excellent opportunity of achieving something awaited her.

Artificial Remedy.

Mr. Mayers, who represented the Association at the silver conference in Paris, said: "Whether the difficulty in which China finds herself, and in which foreign trade with China is involved by the fall in silver, admits of any artificial remedy, is a question which can only be answered satisfactorily by an interchange of authoritative opinions on the subject. So far as our information goes, the strong desire of China, and of all those foreign interests which are affected by the fall in silver, for immediate international consideration of the problem, is counterbalanced, if not outweighed, by the opinion of high financial authorities that no artificial remedy is practicable. The dogmatic statement that nothing can be done will not satisfy sufferers, and it is to be hoped that their efforts to bring about international consideration of the problem, and the adoption of some remedial measure will not be relaxed."

DAVIS CUP MATCH AT ATHENS.

GREECE WINS SINGLES; AUSTRIA DOUBLES.

Athens, Apr. 17. Greece beat Austria by two matches to one at the close of today's Davis Cup programme. In the singles, Garanciotto (Greece) defeated Matsko (Austria) by 8-6, 7-5, 1-6, 6-4. In the doubles, Artens and Haberl (Austria) beat Geli and Georgiadi (Greece) 5-7, 6-3, 6-4. Greece won a singles match yesterday, and two more remain to be played. —*Reuter*.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN TELEPHONE.

EXTENSIVE SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE.

London, Apr. 17. The Postmaster General announces that the Anglo-Australian telephone service is now available to all parts of Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia. It is hoped shortly to extend the service to Western Australia. —*British Wireless*.

KING OF SIAM.

BRONCHIAL TROUBLE REPORTED.

Vancouver, Apr. 17. The King of Siam arrived today aboard the Empress of Japan, indisposed with bronchial trouble. He remained aboard until the departure of the train for New York. The Queen deputised for her husband at a civic reception. —*Reuter*.

PRIMATE'S TOUR.

London, Apr. 17. The Archbishop of Canterbury, who has been on a health cruise in the Mediterranean with his friend, Mr. Pierpont Morgan, and arrived in Jerusalem on Wednesday, today visited ancient Jericho and the reputed site of the Epiphany on Jordan. —*British Wireless*.

NAVAL PARLEY.

London, Apr. 17. The Drafting Committee in connection with the Italian-French Naval Agreement met today in London and after a long sitting adjourned till Monday. —*British Wireless*.

NEW REGIME IN SPAIN.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY IN CHURCH AFFAIRS.

THE ROYAL REFUGEES.

Madrid, Apr. 17. "The last felony of a great felon," in how the newspaper *Socialista* describes Alfonso's manifesto, whose publication has been greeted with much amazement and indignation. Political prisoners are now being released from the jails of Madrid, 130 being let out on Wednesday and 190 yesterday.

Wearing red brassards, the new "Republican Civic Guard" are on duty, having sworn to observe a strict code whereby they are ready to "watch over the order and welfare of the Spanish Republic, and if necessary die for it." . . . never to have recourse to violence under any circumstances against peaceful manifestations of the citizens."

Foreign Policy.

How the revolution will affect the balance of power in Europe is indicated by the Foreign Minister. Interviewed regarding the supposed secret Italo-Spanish treaty, he said he had informed France that in the event of a Franco-Italian conflict, France could always count on Spain's loyalty.

The Broom at Work.

The Provisional Republican Cabinet has decided to issue a decree giving each State Department until May 31 to make a detailed revision of the work of the Dictatorship, and devise measures in substitution for those introduced by the Dictatorship; and has also decided to dissolve the permanent section of the Senate, as such Senators are not elected, but are Royal nominees ineligible to join the Constituent Assembly, which will be elected on national suffrage.

Provincial Governors Sacked.

The Civil Governors of all the provinces have been summarily dismissed by official decree. Fresh Governors have been appointed.

All officers and soldiers under arrest have been liberated, "to mark the advent of the revolution."

One of the first acts of the new Republican Government has been to publish a decree cancelling the institution of Summer Time in Spanish Territory. —*Reuter*.

Status of the Church.

London, Apr. 17. A report that the new Spanish Government had renounced the State Catholic religion which was given prominence yesterday evening is not confirmed in a report from Madrid, which says that while a decree relating to freedom of worship has been prepared, and another decree will provide for secularisation of cemeteries, competent observers are of opinion that the Government hitherto has not made any move in the direction of disestablishment, and can hardly do so without seriously undermining its position.

The Minister of Justice yesterday received a deputation from the Chapter of Madrid Cathedral. This is interpreted as meaning its recognition of the present regime.

It is reported from Barcelona that a declaration is being published on behalf of various Catholic bodies stating that they are prepared to accept the new regime. The declaration ends, "God save the Republic."

The police have been strictly ordered to prevent any demonstrations against the Church. —*Reuter*.

Centre of Attraction.

Paris, Apr. 17. It was three o'clock in the morning before Alfonso was abed at his hotel, after one of the most tiring days of his life.

He sat up late discussing events with Queen Ena, who is noticeably more cheerful since the King arrived.

Alfonso rose in the morning evidently refreshed, and ate a hearty breakfast. The Queen of the Belgians called to see him at ten o'clock, and caught the train at eleven for Brussels.

The Prince of Asturias is still abed, but is better.

Around this royal domestic drama the hotel throbs with excitement, the hall being packed with journalists. Outside stand film cameramen ready to "shoot." Crowds outside gaze at the windows of the Royal suite.

The visitors' book is being signed all day long by distinguished sympathisers. One old lady wrote, "Louise Tholey and Countess Joan de Belleville, condemned to death by the Germans in 1916. Saved by the intervention of the King of Spain." —*Reuter*.

Queen's Ordinal Revealed.

Madrid, Apr. 17. An eyewitness has told *Reuter* the story of Queen Ena's last ter-

FINANCIAL CRISIS IN AUSTRALIA.

GOVERNMENT INFLATION DEFEATED.

Canberra, Apr. 17. The death knell to the Government's inflation programme has been sounded, and a new political crisis has arisen through the Senate's rejection to-day, by 21 to 6 votes, of the Government's Fiduciary Notes Bill (for expansion of the currency by £18,000,000).

The dissolution of both Houses is likely to follow within three months, as the Bill is being immediately sent back to the Senate, and Mr. Scullin recently announced that if it were rejected twice within the statutory three months, he would seek a double dissolution.

As a result of this defeat, the Government has dropped the Wheat Bill (for £6,000,000 loans to wheat growers) which depends for its finance on the Fiduciary Notes Bill.

Opposition Leadership.

Later. Mr. Latham has resigned the leadership of the Opposition in order to allow the former Acting Treasurer Mr. Lyons (who is leading the unity movement to get "back to a sane Government") to lead the united opposition party.

The resignation followed a disclosure that Mr. Theodore had challenged the right of the Commonwealth Bank to cut off money supplies to the Government. This convinced Mr. Latham that the national situation was desperate, necessitating Opposition unity at any cost. Mr. Lyons has accepted the leadership.

The disclosure was made by Mr. Theodore speaking in the House of Representatives, when he referred to the Commonwealth Bank having sent an ultimatum on April 11 drawing attention to the increasing burden of the Government's overdraft, and declaring that a point had been reached beyond which it was impossible for the Bank further financially to assist the Government. —*Reuter*.

"PERIOD" TYPISTS.

(Continued from Page 6.)

Advertisement for typist in 1930:—

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I must now mention three outstanding exhibits.

I. The combined printing and counting sorter which has been invited by the Government to help take the census. It sorts all sorts and conditions of men at the rate of 25,000 index-cards an hour, and at the same time counts sheep jumping over a stile for the Government.

2.—An automatic letter-opening machine. This I am presenting to my parlourmaid, as I am sure she will find it more economical than steam.

3.—An analysing machine which is so human that it will disclose profit, loss, and its opinion of the directors. It thrives on crime-novels and tinned fruit.

rible night in Spain spent in an almost deserted palace accompanied only by her children, the Duchess of San Carlos, the ladies in waiting and twelve halberdiers—faithful old retainers who refused to desert their posts, although they would have been little real help in case of trouble, for they were practically unarmed.

Outside the walls of the palace, clearly visible from the royal apartments, a mob surged to and fro, the men wearing red caps and waving red flags and torches, shouting insults and clamouring for admission.

To the pathetic group of watchers at the palace windows it must have seemed as if the frightful scenes of the French revolution must be re-enacted. The Queen mastered her emotion and sought to console the women weeping and trembling round her.

At length, dawn broke, after a sleepless vigil.

How near tragedy came is revealed in the fact that an attempt was actually made to force the iron gates by means of a heavy lorry. —*Reuter*.

Refugees at Gibraltar.

Gibraltar, Apr. 17. Spanish grandees and monarchists of lesser degree are crowding for Gibraltar, and the hotels here are full of fugitives, including General Jordana, the Spanish High Commissioner to Morocco, whose resignation was announced at Madrid.

After receipt of the news, the native guard at his offices in Tetuan fired on Republican demonstrators. —*Reuter*.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

CORPS ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 17/31.—Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., commanding:

Hongkong, Apr. 17. *Parades.*

(a) Corps Band. The band will parade at the Music Room, City Hall on Tuesday, April 21st, at 5.30 p.m., sharp, for band practice.

2. There will be a meeting of the Band Rifle Club at the Minature Range on Wednesday, April 22nd, at 5.30 p.m., sharp.

(b) Engineer Company. 1. Minature Range Shoot at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters on Monday 20th.

2. The Company will furnish a team to compete in The Hongkong Rifle League at an early date to be notified later.

(c) Armoured Car Company. 1. Car Section. There will be a meeting of N.C.O.'s only at Headquarters on Monday, 20th, April at 5.30 p.m. There will be no parades until further notice.

2. Motor Cycle Section. Parades at 5.30 p.m. for Instructional Drive or if wet for practice in Map Reading and Message Writing.

(d) Machine Gun Company. 1. N.C.O.'s & Recruits classes will be held on every Tuesday at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. in rifle with bolts and side-arms under C.S.M. Slattery until further orders. The Minature Range will be at the disposal of the M.G. Company on all Tuesday nights for musketry instruction. O.C. M.G. Company will advise later the dates required for Kennedy Road Range.

2. The Company Rifle Club will hold the next meeting on Sunday, 21st, May at 5.30 a.m. on the Peak Range. The Company Commanders Cup and Individual Spoon Shoots will be held but there will be no competition for the Inter-Section Cup. The Peak Range is at the disposal of O.C. M.G. Company on the first Sunday of every month as hitherto until further notice.

3. M.G. Part II will be fired on Sunday, 19th, instant by all of the M.G. Company who have not yet fired. Range Officer—Lieut. H. G. Lush. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Rowloon Police Pier at 8.40 a.m.

(e) Scottish Company. Individual Machine Gun Instruction at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 22nd, April.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters under Captain H. R. Forsyth. No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. G. Duncan, M.B.E.

2. M.G. Part II Casuals will will fire with M.G. Company (see last para of (d)).

(f) Portuguese Company. No. 12A Platoon will parade at Headquarters on Friday, April 24th, at 5.30 p.m., sharp for passing out tests from Recruits stage.

Dress—Optional, but belts, rifles and bayonets must be brought.

(g) The Officers commanding the undermentioned Units will issue their orders separately to their commands:—

I. Battery

II. Corps Signals

III. Machine Gun Troop.

Rifles and Bayonets.

All rifles and bayonets must be returned to the Corps Stores in a clean condition. Any defects must be reported when handing in.

Command.

Lieutenant J. F. Wright will assume command of the Armoured Car Company, from 20th, April for use by the Corps to complete Casuals in Rifle and M. Gun.

O.S.C. Units will forthwith notify the Adjutant of the number in each category who have yet to fire to complete their course for 1930-31, to facilitate arrangements.

Returns.

(I) Officers Commanding Units will please render to Headquarters by noon on the last Friday in each month a return showing:—

(a) The names of those in their Unit who are on leave on that date.

(b) Any change of address which has taken place during the month. O.S.C. Units are particularly asked to render this return by the hour stated, so as to ensure the accuracy of Office returns.

(II) Individual members are reminded of their responsibility in notifying any changes of address.

Transfer.

No. 1121 Sgt. G. E. L. Johnson, No. 3 Platoon, is transferred to Engineer Company and reverts to the ranks with effect from to-day's date.

Struck Off the Strength.

Having completed 3 years' service, No. 1218 Pte. H. V. P. Neves, No. 9 Platoon, is from 25.3.31.

Permitted to resign. No. 1530 Spr. N. J. Bebbington, Engineer Company, is from 25.3.31.

Strength.

The following have been taken on Corps Strength:—

Rank Name Unit joined
Pte. A. Jackson No. 3 24.3.31.
do do do do
Spr. J. L. Tetley Engineer do do
Spr. W. E. Allan Company 11.4.31
Piper C. F. Andrews No. 6 Platoon 19.4.31.
do do do do
Leave.
Captain K. S. Morrison, Reserve of Officers, granted 11½ months' leave from 14.4.31 to 31.5.32.

THIS AFTERNOON'S RACING.

HEAVY GOING MAY CAUSE UPSETS.

[By "Ringtail."]

With the track in fairly good order, despite the heavy rains of late, the Hongkong Jockey Club will hold its third Extra Race Meeting at the Valley this afternoon.

There is every prospect of some good racing, although the heavy going may affect the chances of some of the entrants. The outstanding event is the Second Aggregate Stakes, over a distance of one and a half miles.

The April Stakes, a race for "subs", and the Gosford Handicap, should be two interesting events, particularly the latter which is for non-winning Australian ponies. My selections are:

1st Race.
Redskins
Vamoose
Aeneas Leaf
2nd Race.
Vasylock
Boxing Eve
Jill
3rd Race.
Fritillery
Armory
Mindora
4th Race.
Apollo
Sitting Bull
Gay Crusader
5th Race.
Hetman
Glenengles
6th Race.
Moukhall
Groombridge
Happy Choice
7th Race.
Wonderful Star
Fortune Bay
Holly Leaf
8th Race.
Christmas Frolic
Sanction
Little Beaver
9th Race.
Britannic Hall
Tango
The Pheasant
10th Race.
Mike
Cyclamen Bay
Monterey Bay
11th Race.
Evening Star
Fritz
Queen Regent

THE ST. FRANCIS IMPROVEMENTS.

AN EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE HOTEL.

With the completion of the re-decorating of the St. Francis Hotel, the interior of this spacious building has been transformed, the work reflecting the greatest credit on the enterprising manager, Alphonse.

Several new and comfortable lounges have been embodied in the new scheme, while along the whole of the front of the first floor of the building, a long verandah cafe-terin has been provided, furnished with attractive cane furniture, which should prove popular, especially during the hot months.

The dining room has been enlarged, and the scheme of decorating is in good taste, being unobtrusive and restful.

Special attention has been given to the catering department, and all meals are prepared under strict European supervision.

The cocktail bar is well equipped, and every care is taken to ensure that drinks are correctly prepared. Another feature which will be appreciated by patrons is a talented trio of musicians who discourse popular and classical music during cocktail time, till, and in the evenings from dinner time until mid-night.

The name of Mr. J. Hennessy Seth has been added to the Committee appointed to advise regarding applications for authority to act as auditors in respect of companies, other than China Companies, who keep their accounts in English.

No. 209 C.Q.M.S. Cathill, G. H., No. 8 Platoon, granted 9 months' leave from 29.3.31 to 28.12.31.
No. 1346 Pte. O. E. C. Marton, No. 1 Platoon, granted 8 months' leave from 23.3.31 to 28.11.31.
W. H. G. GOSSET, CAPTAIN, Adjutant, H. K. V. D. C.

NOTICE.

(1) A copy of Rules, Hongkong Area Sports Board, Billiards 1931-32 has been posted on Corps Notice Board.
(2) There will be a meeting of the Sergeants' Mess Committee at Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22nd.

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LOCAL RADIO.

CONCERT FROM STUDIO ON SUNDAY.

The radio programme to be broad-
cast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of
855 metres to-day is:

4.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.00-11.30 p.m. European Pro-
gramme of Victor and H. M. V. Re-
cords kindly supplied by Messrs. S.
Moutrie and Co.
7.00-7.30 p.m. Operatic.
Orchestral-Preliato-Preliato to Act 1
(Verdi).
Orchestral-Preliato-Preliato to Act 3
(Verdi).
Philharmonic Symphony Orch. 6994.
Song-Lucioia Borgia-Drinking Song.
It's Better To Laugh (Donizetti).
Sigrid Onegin (Contralto). 1367.
Pianoforte Solo-Variations On Themes
from Carmen (Bizet-Horowitz). 1327.
Valdimir Horowitz. 1327.
Duet-Lucia-Why Lament Yel
(Donizetti).
Beniamino Gigli-Ezio Pinza. 8096.
Song-Barbiere di Siviglia-Dawn with
Her Boy Manlio (Rossini).
Song-Barbiere di Siviglia-If My Name
You Would Know (Rossini).
Tito Schipa (Tenor). 1180.
8.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local
Time, etc.
7.30-8.10 p.m. Musical Comedy and
Light Opera.
Sons of O'Guns-Selections. C1982.
The Three Musketeers-Vocal Gema.
Light Opera Company. C1980.
Blister Sweet-Selections. C1982.
Jack Hydon and His Orch. C1977.
Mister Cinderella-Vocal Gema.
Light Opera Company. C1665.
8.10-8.45 p.m.
Trio In D Minor (Mendelssohn).
Cortot, Thibault and Casals D. B.
1072-D. B. 1075.
8.45-9.30 p.m. A Concert.
Piano Solo-Nocturne A Ragazzo
(Schelling).
Ignace Jan Paderewski. 6700.
Song-A Perfect Day (Carrie
Jacobs-Bond).
Song-The Rosary (Rogers and
Nevin).
Rosa Panselle (Soprano). 1098.
Violin Solo-Persian Song (Glinka
Zimbalist).
Violin Solo-Waltz In G Flat
(Chopin).
Efterm Zimbalist. 1154.
Song-Danny Deever (Kipling and
Dunroch).
Song-On The Road To Mandalay
(Kipling and Spence).
Reinold Werrenrath (Baritone).
6638.
Guitar Solo-Courante (Bach).
Guitar Solo-Sonatina In A Major
(Terrob).
Andres Segovia. 1298.
Piano Solo-Etude In F Major
(Mendelssohn).
Piano Solo-Etude In A Minor
(Mendelssohn).
Sergei Rachmaninoff. 1266.
9.30-11.30 p.m. Dance Programme.
Fox Trot-The Moon Is Low. 22392.
Fox Trot-Montana Call. 22392.
Fox Trot-Cheer Up. 22453.
Fox Trot-Swinging In A Hammock.
22444.
Fox Trot-My Future Just Passed.
21085.
Waltz-Blue Hawaii.
Waltz-Sparkling Waters of
Waikiki.
Fox Trot-Nina Rosa. 22275.
Fox Trot-My First Love, My
Last Love.
Fox Trot-The Verdict. 22412.
Fox Trot-Reminiscent. 22412.
Fox Trot-Betty. 21838.
Waltz-Where Is The Song Of
Sons For Me.
Fox Trot-My Baby Just Cares
For Me. 22490.
Fox Trot-A Girl Friend Of A
Boy Friend Of Mine.
Fox Trot-Mr. and Mrs. Sippl. 22472.
Fox Trot-Dixiana.
Waltz-My Heart Belongs To The
Girl Who Belongs to Someone
Else. 22436.
Fox Trot-The Song Without
A Name.
Fox Trot-Making Whoopee. 21810.
Fox Trot-Until You Get Somebody.
Fox Trot-I, Violet, 2 Friends. 22473.
Fox Trot-Betty Co-Ed. 22473.
Fox Trot-A Night Of
Happiness. 22217.
Fox Trot-Sitting By The Window.
Waltz-On A Little Street In
Hanoi. 22504.
Waltz-All Through The Night.
Fox Trot-That Wonderful
Something. 22203.
Fox Trot-Chant Of The Jungle.
Fox Trot-I'm Just A Vagabond.
Fox Trot-I'm Still Caring.
Fox Trot-Hanging On The Garden
Gate. 22301.
Waltz-Song Of The Islands.
11.30 p.m. Close Down.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME.

11.00-12.15 p.m. Union Church
Service. 38th Anniversary.
Preacher: The Bishop of Victoria.
Order of Service:—
Voluntary.
Hymn "Praise my Soul, the Being
of Heaven."
Invocation And Lord's Prayer.
Hymn "I To The Hills Will Lift
My Eyes."
Scripture Reading.
Ethesian. Ch. 4. V. 1-10.
Hymn "Lord Of All Being,
Throned Afar."
Prayer.
Offering.
Offering Prayer.
Hymn "Lord Of Our Life, And
God Of Our Salvation."
Sermon.
Hymn "My Soul Doth Magnify
The Lord."
National Anthem.
Benediction.
12.15 p.m. Chinese Programme.
1.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local
Time, etc.
2.00 p.m. Close Down.
8.00-9.00 p.m. European Pro-
gramme of Columbia Records kindly
supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music
Co.
8.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local
Time, etc.
Orchestral-Mephisto Valse (Liszt).
Orchestral-Fervent-Introduction
(W. Dwyer).
Orchestra of the Brussels Royal
Conservatoire. DX111.
Song-Traum Durch Die Dammern
(Strauss).

COLLEGE SPORTS.

YING WAH'S MEET UNDER ADVERSE CONDITIONS.

Ying Wah College held its annual
athletic meet on Caroline Hill yester-
day. Undeterred by the most un-
favourable weather conditions possi-
ble, a lengthy programme of 28
events was gone through, competitors
displaying a zest which was not
lessened on that account.
The prizes were given away by Mrs.
Richard Shim. In a short speech
prefacing the ceremony, the Head-
master (Rev. F. Short) thanked Mrs.
Shim for attending, and those others
who had contributed to the prize
funds. In particular, he referred to
the hard work of the Sports Com-
mittee which had made possible the
success of the meet.

The results were as follows:
100 Metres (Senior).—1, Sul Pul-
wai; 2, Mok Wah-hon; 3, Wong Wing-
nin. Time, 12.4/5 secs.
100 Metres (Junior).—Chung King-
wai; Chung Fook-tim; 3, Chui Lun.
Time, 13.3/5 secs.
100 Metres (Small Boys).—1, Un-
Chang; 2, Chung King-chong; 3,
Lau Ying-chow. Time, 15.4/5 secs.
Long Jump (Senior).—1, Chan
Wan-ming; 2, Mok Wah-hon; 3, Yu
Kai-yun. Distance, 15 ft. 11 ins.
Long Jump (Junior).—Chung Fook-
tim; Chung King-wai; 3, Li King-
ah. Distance, 17 ft. 2 ins.
200 Metres (Small Boys).—1, Yuen
Tan-pang; 2, Chung King-chong;
3, Lau Ying-chow. Time, 33.4/5
secs.
200 Metres (Senior).—1, Su Pul-
wai; 2, Tze-kaw; 3, Mok Wah-
hon. Time, 26.1/3 secs.
200 Metres (Junior).—Chung Fook-
tim; 2, Chung King-wai; 3, Poon Sal-
kit. Time, 27.1/5 secs.
Three-Legged Race.—1, Tze Tze-
kew and Chan Sik-tim; 2, Chan
Young-kwong and Ho Nai-him; 3,
Lam Chan-wai and Yung Yuk-ken.
High Jump (Senior).—1, Ong
Ting-chung; 2, Tse Diu-ki; 3, Chan
Wan-ming. Height, 4 ft. 11 ins.
High Jump (Junior).—1, Chung
Fook-tim; 2, Tam Wing-fo; 3, Li
King-ah. Height, 4 ft. 6 ins.
Sack Race (Open).—1, Tze Tze-
kew; 2, Poon Sal-kit; 3, Chung Pul-
yung.
400 Metres (Senior).—1, Tze Tze-
kew; 2, Mok Wah-hon; 3, Yung Yuk-
kin. Time, 64.4/5 secs.
Putting the Shot (Senior).—1,
Chung Kwal-lung; 2, Mok Wah-hon;
3, Sul Pul-wai. Distance, 30 ft. 10
ins.
Putting the Shot (Junior).—1, Li
King-ah; 2, Chung King-wai; 3,
Chung Fook-tim. Distance, 30 ft. 2
ins.

Ladies Nomination Race (Open).—
1, Chung King-wai and Miss Ko-wai;
2, Mok Wah-hon and Miss Cheung
Tze; 3, Chung Fook-tim and Miss
Li Man.
Invitation Race.—Won by St. Paul's
College.
800 Metres (Open).—1, Mr. Wat
Hui-kee; 2, Pang Kwok-kam; 3,
Choi Fook-chuen. Time, 2 mins. 31
secs.
Arithmetical Race (Senior).—Won
by Wong Kai-man.
Arithmetical Race (Junior).—Won
by Tse Lun.
20 Metres (Old Boys).—1, Leung
Tsin-man; 2, Ng Wah-yau; 3,
Joseph Mak.
Hurdle Senior.—1, Tze Tze-kau; 2,
Li Tan-chung; 3, Wong Wing-nin.
Hurdle (Junior).—1, Chung King-
wai; 2, Chung Fook-tim; 3, Kwok
Ying-wai.
Teachers' Race (Handicap).—1,
Joseph Chau; 2, Kwok Mak-hoi; 3,
Chau Kung-chiu.
Inter-class Team Races.—Won by
Class 1 (Senior) and by Class 5B
(Junior).
1,500 Metres (Open).—1, Wong
Kwong-ling; 2, Wat Hin-kee; 3,
Wong Cheung-tek.
Consolation Race.—1, Leung Koon-
ming; 2, Chu Sik-tze; 3, Kwok Ying-
wing.

Mukdon, Apr. 17.
Gen. Chang Hsueh-liang is
leaving for Peking to-night, in
order to establish the headquar-
ters of the Vice Commander-in-
Chief, accompanied by the staff
for the new headquarters.—
Reuter.

Song-Mondnacht (Moonlight)
(Alexander Kipnis (Bass). LB4.
Organ Solo-Toccata In F (Bach).
Anton Van Der Horst. DX30.
Chorus-Anthem-Ascribe Unto The
Lord (Wesley).
St. George's Chapel Choir, Windsor.
9176.
Cello Solo-Chant Sans Paroles
(Tchaikowsky).
Cello Solo-Angel's Serenade
(Bragg).
Clyde Twelveteens. DX37.
Song-Jannhauser-O Star Of Eve
(Wagner).
Song-Carmen-The Toreador Song
(Bizet).
Harold Williams (Baritone). 9873.
Recital by Mrs. A. M. M.
Bowes-Smith. Pianist and Accom-
panist—Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.
Soprano Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith.
Pianoforte Solo-Sonata In C Major.
Op. 58. (First Movement). (Beetho-
ven).
Song-Sing, Break Into Song
(Mallinson).
Song-The Lament of Ials (Gran-
ville Bantock).
Song-To A Thrush At Evening
(Montagu Phillips).
Song-A Song Of The Open
(La Forge).
Pianoforte Solo-Preliato (Debussy).
Pianoforte Solo-Romance
(Sgranbati).
Pianoforte Solo-Jig (York Bowen).
Pianoforte Solo-Preliato Down In The
Forest (Spring) c. Love, I Have won
You (Summer). from "A Cycle of
Life" (Landon Ronald).
Song-At The Well (Lagemaier).
Pianoforte Solo-Study In A Flat
(Chopin).
Pianoforte Solo-Notturne In D Flat
(Chopin).
Pianoforte Solo-Scherzo In B Flat
Minor (Chopin).
10.00 p.m. Close Down.

CINEMA NOTES.

EXAMPLE OF ADVANCED SCREEN TECHNIQUE.

The complete freedom from
mechanical limitations attained by
talking pictures in just two years of
life is said to be particularly well de-
monstrated in "Strictly Unconven-
tional," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's all-talk-
ing adaptation of W. Somerset Maug-
ham's stage hit, "The Circle," which
is at the Queen's Theatre.
In the early days of talkies, filming
was held down by crude microphones
which could not record sounds further
away than three feet. This meant
that if a player were sitting, he could
not rise in the same shot without hit-
ting the " mike." This, of course,
made the early stories somewhat stilted
and interfered greatly with that
smooth flow of action which is such
an asset to a good motion picture.
The picture is cited as a particularly
interesting example as it is a
dialogue, rather than an action
comedy, in which clever lines pass
quickly around the cast. Perfect re-
cording is necessary in a play which
depends so much on its lines and con-
siderable facility in "picking up" voice
is needed when the parts are so even-
ly divided between a half a dozen
players as is the case with this pic-
ture.

The players who participate in the
test of talkie facility which "Strictly
Unconventional" affords include Lewis
Stone, Ernest Terrence, Paul Car-
vanagh, Catherine Dale Owen, Tyrrell
Davis, Alison Skipworth and Mary
Perbes.
From all angles of story, dialogue,
acting, setting, general production
technique, and particularly the care-
ful direction of David Burton, "Stric-
tly Unconventional" is an unquestioned
winner and will probably lead the
way for bigger and better farces.

Talking Film of "Whoopie."

Launching their newly formed
partnerships with a production of
unparalleled magnificence, Samuel
Goldwyn and Florenz Ziegfeld jointly
present the renowned comedian, Eddie
Cantor, in a picturized "Whoopie,"
based on the famous stage success that
ran for two years at the New Amater-
dam Theatre, New York. It will be
shown at the Queen's Theatre to-
morrow.
Eddie Cantor's screen musical
comedy, his first, is based on that
uproarious farce, "The Nervous
Wreck," which later became "Whoop-
ie" with the addition of William
Anthony McGuire's lyrics and Walter
Donaldson's tunes.
It is the first United Artists pic-
ture in technicolor and is said to
represent the most advanced use and
the most perfect example of the pos-
sibilities of the colour screen yet
made.

Cantor, as the hypochondriac who
was "too sick to die," cavorts through
his fevered romance of the wildest
West, an unwilling victim of love at
the hands of his nurse, played by the
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of the girl-glorifying "Follies" that Mr.
Ziegfeld now says he has forewarned
in favour of the audible colour screen.

Next Attraction At King's.

Makers of wild animal hunt pic-
tures will be hard put to it to follow
successfully "Ingagi," the film which
is to shown at the King's Theatre
to-morrow. It is declared to be one
long series of thrills from the first
moment to the last. The picture is
an amazing record of the expedition
of the safari headed by Sir Hubert
Winstead and Capt. Daniel Swayne,
into the Belgian Congo. The most
startling feature depicted in this
picture is the discovery of what may
easily be creatures that are half
human, half ape. In other respects,
"Ingagi" indicates clearly that the
expedition had more than the usual
share of adventures with wild
animals. Despite the fact that the
wild life of Africa is said to be
rapidly disappearing, there seemed
no dearth of it so far as the Wins-
tead-Swayne safari was concerned. They
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Mr. George Lansbury, M.P., presiding at a Christian Socialist Crusade conference at Friends' House, Euston, said he wanted the Churches to declare that in the work of rationalisation human needs must come first.

The Rev. Donald Soper read a letter from the Prime Minister saying: "We have seen the machinery of Capitalism breaking down all over the world. Its inadequacy in the face of modern conditions is more and more widely being admitted."

Canon Donaldson, of Westminster Abbey, caused laughter when he remarked: "Wherever we go to-day we find ourselves getting more and more in the hold of trusts. Every delegate here, though he may look a perfectly free man, is himself a slave to the Imperial Tobacco Trust."

The Rev. W. Warcup said that he did not think ministers in the Churches received the support from the Labour Party which they deserved. The minister who, through speaking out frankly from the pulpit, lost his congregation and who at the same time did not receive the backing of the Labour Party merely found himself falling between two stools.

WHERE REDS AND NAZIS MEET.

GERMAN EX-OFFICERS' CHANGED VIEWS.

Berlin, Mar. 20. All the Press of the Right was loud in sympathy for the three young officers of the Ulm garrison who were tried and found guilty last September of forming Nazi cells in the Reichswehr which were to agitate in the Army against the Republic. The trial was criticised as totally unnecessary and the young men given the halo of martyrs.

Last night a Communist deputy was able to inform the Reichstag that after a few months of fortress detention, which brought him into contact with Communist fellow prisoners, one of the three ex-officers in question, Scherlinger, has deserted the banner of Hitler for that of Lenin.

In a letter fortified with quotations from Lenin, Scherlinger maintains that Hitler has broken his promises. The revolutionary German youth wants the liberation of

Germany, Scherlinger declares, that is the tearing up of the imposed peace treaties from "Versailles to Young" and the end of the capitalist system.

The Nazis have deserted the Socialist part of their programme, he asserts, have organised terrorism against the proletariat, recognised private property as sacrosanct, and acknowledged Germany's indebtedness to international capital. They have hindered Germany's exodus from the League and cultivated apathy in their ranks that stinks to Heaven. They are following the road of the Socialists and of Stresemann. Their treachery is clear.

Nobody, of course, considers young Scherlinger's views important in themselves, but his alleged conversion is considered as of great importance as a symptom.

Over and over again moderate Republicans have warned Conservatives coquetting with Nazis that

the latter were preparing the ground for the Communists. Extremes meet. Scherlinger is not the first who has passed directly from one extremist party to the other. It is hinted that other Nazi ex-officers, including Scherlinger's two companions in the dock, have followed his example.

As though in revenge for the Communist deputy murdered in a Hamburg omnibus the other day, about 60 Communists waylaid 25 Nazis returning to Magdeburg from a neighbouring village last night. The police had got wind of the Communists' intentions but lost track of them in the dark.

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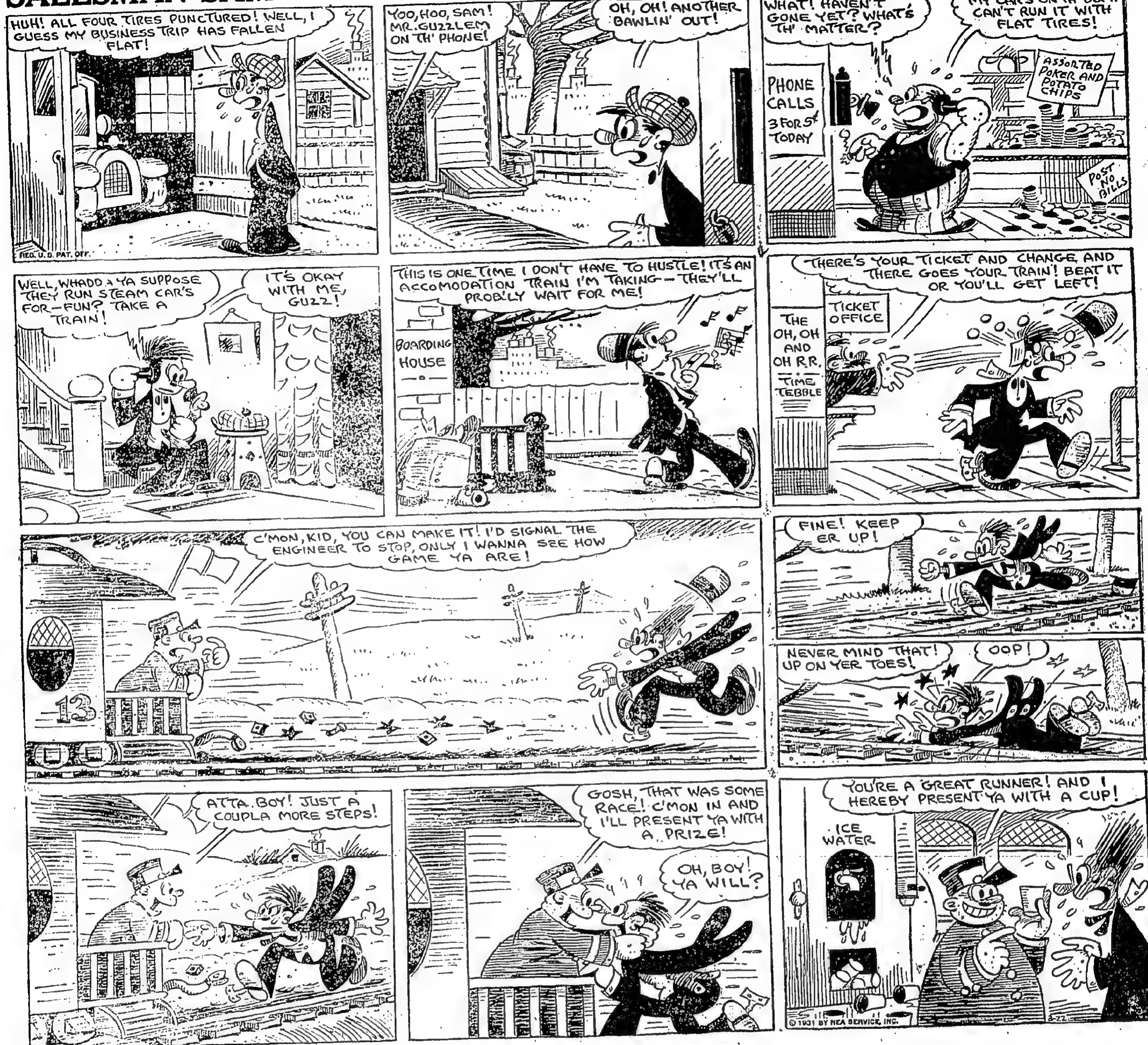
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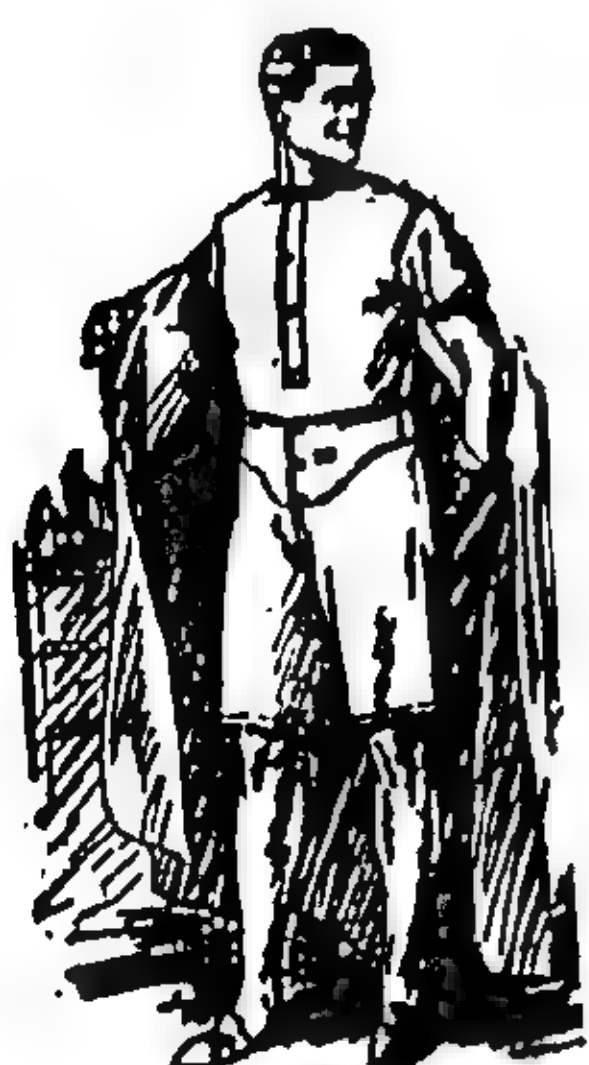
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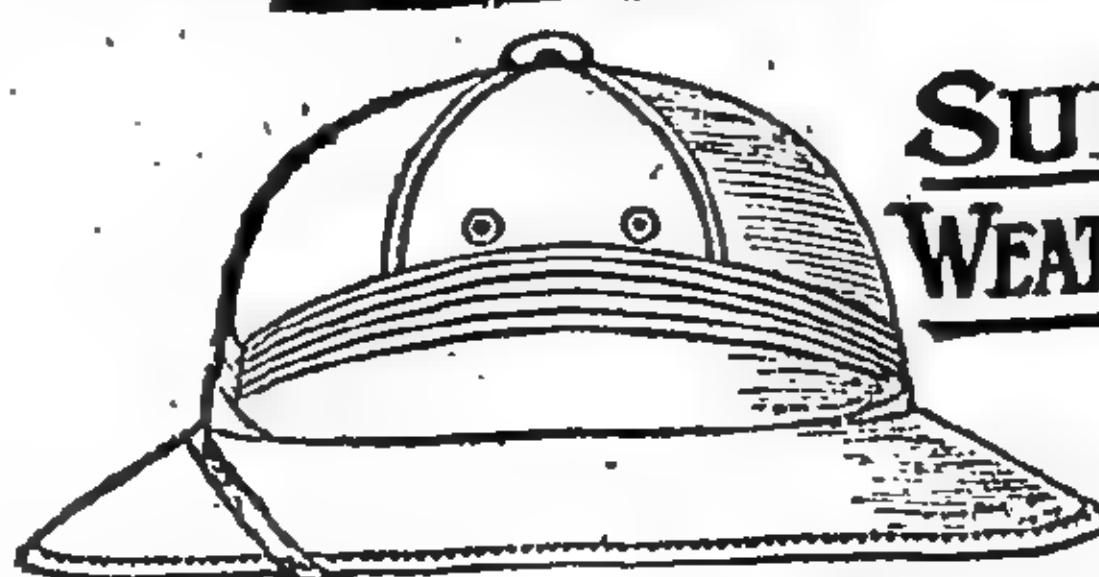
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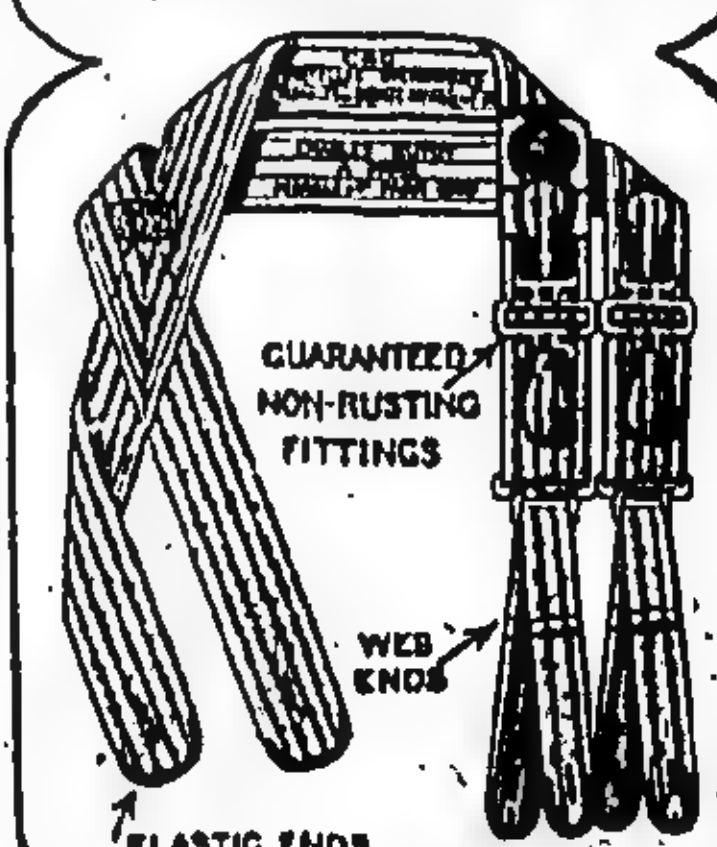
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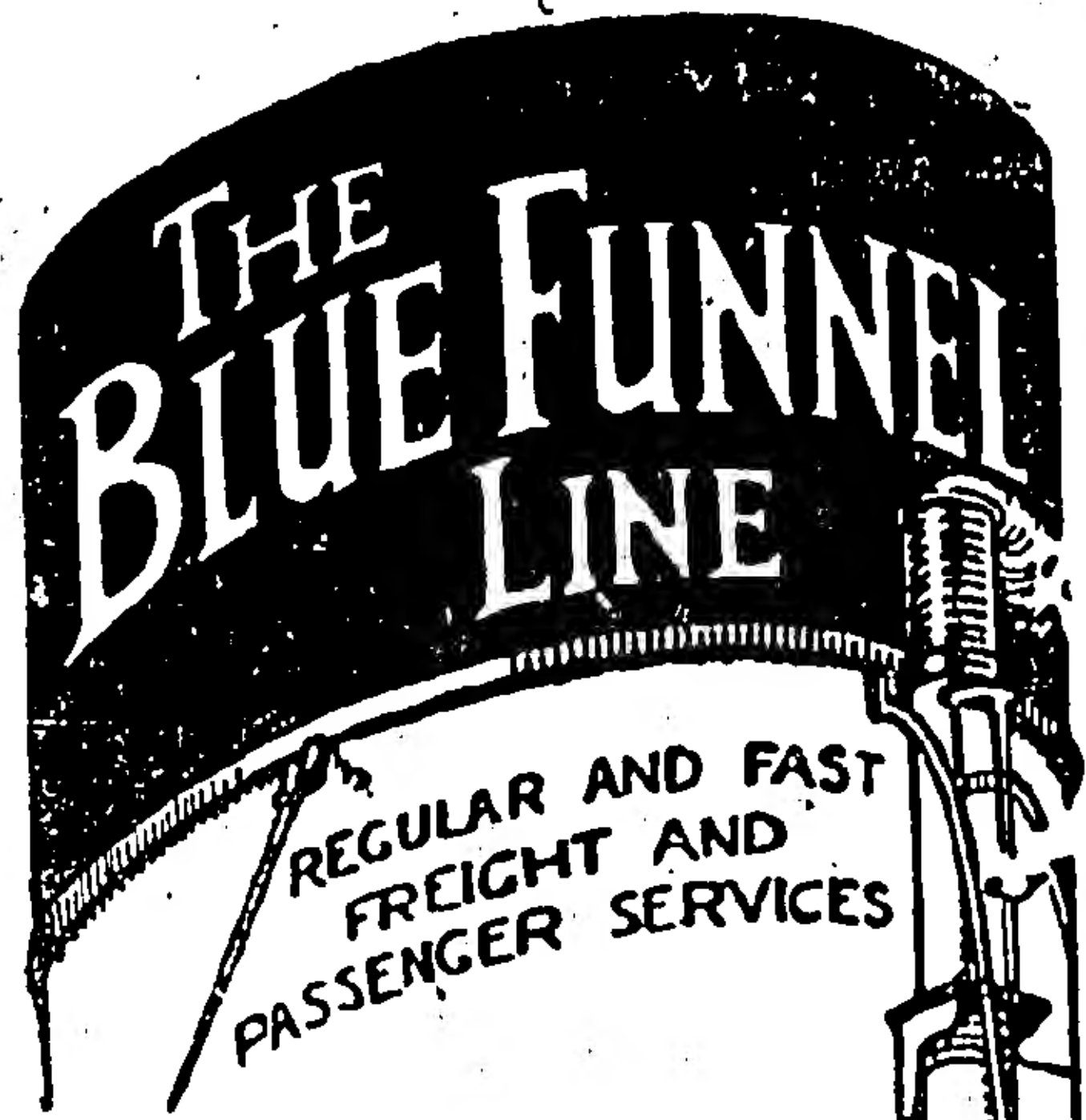
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The official congratulations of neighbouring Churches, the Diocese of Victoria, and the Kowloon Residents' Association were extended to the Kowloon Union Church on the completion and opening of the new Church in Jordan Road, when an "At Home" was held last night.

There was a large attendance, and a number of speeches delivered, these being interspersed with vocal selections by the South Wales Borderers male voice choir.

Mr. D. F. Warren presided, and among those present were the Minister (Rev. J. Horace Johnston), the Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Victoria (Rev. C. R. Duppuy), Rev. W. Walton Rogers, Rev. E. C. C. Hickling, Rev. H. Gless, Pastor Cheung and Mr. F. C. Mow Fung (President K.R.A.).

The first part of the programme was conducted in the new Church, and later refreshments were enjoyed in the old building, where further congratulatory speeches were made.

The Bishop of Victoria, in being the first to offer congratulations said:

Mr. Johnston, ladies and gentlemen.—No one can know Kowloon without being impressed with the great developments that are taking place.

Looking back over ten years, Kowloon is, without question, a very different place to what it was then. I used to regard going out to the Victoria Home as a run into the country, and I remember, on more than one occasion, a little vernacular day school we had on the way there being robbed because it was so isolated.

We may not forget the future, but if the present rate of development is maintained, Kowloon will again be a very different place in ten years' time. I believe in Hongkong, Sir Paul Chater more than once said to me, "He meant, of course, the whole colony—he believed that the developments which are taking place would be maintained."

A Splendid Faith.

I have often thought of the splendid faith of the early pioneers out here—and as one living in what I suppose is probably the oldest house in the Colony, I am constantly reminded more especially of the large vision and bold faith of Vincent Stanton, who was responsible both for the building of the Cathedral and St. Paul's College. These pioneers planned largely and they planned well.

I am sure that so long as he lives it will bring joy to the heart of Mr. Johnston that during his ministry out here he has seen the erection of this Church, and that all who have been his co-workers will share with him in that joy.

I often wondered as I used to see Sir Paul Chater in St. Andrew's Church whether there did not come to him at times a sense of great joy at having given to the congregation their spiritual home. And now, again, his munificence has made possible the building of the Union Church, Kowloon, to be for you a spiritual home, a place around which will centre some of the most sacred experiences of life. I offer you, from my heart, con-

gratulations and wish you God-speed in all the work that shall be done here.

I cannot conclude without adding a personal word. Both as a fellow-minister and a brotherman I have known Mr. Johnston well during the seven years he has been in Hongkong. I want to say to Mr. Johnston that I have been grateful to him for his friendship and help during the time he has been among us and I wish him and his God's richest blessing for the days to come.

The Sister Church.

Pastor Cheung, of the Hop Yat Church gave his address in Chinese, a translation being read by the Rev. Frank Short, which in substance was as follows:

The Kowloon Union Church (the Church of Comfort and Tranquillity) was organised by members of the Hongkong Union Church. Recently expansions were planned, and a new church built. The Minister, the Rev. J. H. Johnston (the "Helpful Minister"), ripe in experience and rich in strength, helped forward the fulfilment of the scheme, and on April 10th, the new church was formally dedicated to the Service of God.

The Hongkong Union Church, called the "Church of the Great Stone Pillars," is an organisation of the united efforts of Christians of England to serve God in the Far East. She lays special emphasis on the democracy of Christianity. She is self-governed and relies on the self-sacrifice of her members for the spread of the Gospel. Freedom is her mother.

After referring to the early progress of the church, the address stated that the "To Tsai" church was then also organised, and though they were then separated, their spirits were still united. Later both churches co-operated to found an Evangelistic Society, and work was started in the New Territory. The Union Church progressed by leaps and bounds, and now she had a sister church on the Peninsula, situated in Jordan Road, and surrounded by beautiful views. She was near the sea coast where many able men dwell. The address continued:

The "To Tsai" Church has also removed, and her name changed to "Hop Yat" (United), so we both are united still in comfort and tranquillity. Our buildings are new rests, built by old swallows. The beauty and majesty of your new building can truly be compared to the Palace of the Moon. It is a place most fitting for reverent prayer and for spreading the knowledge of God. We must keep in mind that the two companion boats still sail tempestuous seas. We must keep up the spirit of past years, and store up treasures in heaven. We must not neglect our bounden duty. The harvest is rich, but diligent workers are few.

Firstly let us congratulate you upon the successful dedication of this beautiful House of God. May God give you able bodies and strong souls to achieve yet more for the glory of God.

Secondly, let us congratulate you upon your speedy progress and plentiful harvest, and thirdly, we pray the members of the Union Churches and the Hop Yat Church will continue to go hand in hand, assisting the work in the New Territory. We are united in praying that God may bestow His grace on this noble work for ever more.

Tribute to Mr. Johnston.

Mr. C. C. Hickling eulogised the labours of Rev. Mr. Johnston during his seven years of Ministry

in Kowloon, in the course of which he said: When Mr. Johnston asked me to say a few words to-night, although I felt it was a compliment, my natural inclination was to decline. But sentiment is stronger than shyness, and there is a considerable amount of sentiment for me in connexion with this Kowloon Church.

Two years ago I was entrusted in this room with the delicate and surely unique task of "The New Kowloon Church", and those of you who were present on that occasion may perhaps remember that I opened the door of the past a few inches. To-night I propose to give another peep through that door.

Very few people realize that although Mr. Johnston is the first Minister of this Church, he was not the first one to be chosen. In 1907, when my father was on furlough in England, he searched among the young men in the Ministry and finally selected one who he considered a suitable man, and who was willing, if invited, to come out on the great Kowloon Adventure. Unfortunately—as I am bound to consider it—the Elders of the Church did not then care to face a work on Kowloon, with no prospect of funds for buildings, nor did they take kindly to the suggested sacrifice on the part of their Minister to provide ways and means for the proposed new man. Perhaps they were right, but their decision meant that the Union Church was not destined to be the first in the field, a position that would have greatly strengthened their cause.

Then, during Mr. Macdonnell's ministry in Hongkong, and no doubt in a large measure due to the deep respect Sir Paul Chater had for him, Sir Paul made a gift of money sufficient to build a church and, later, doubled it to provide also a Manse, and this fund with accrued interest has now built both Church and Manse, and left a substantial sum over for the basis of an Endowment Fund.

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In the meantime, by successive stages so recent that they need no explanation, a Church has been formed. Mr. Johnston was invited as its first Pastor and has now completed two terms of arduous work. This has not been accomplished without a tremendous amount of spade work, for the most part without any accompaniment of limelight, and to all who have contributed to this I think you will agree that our heartiest congratulations are due.

I wonder if I am telling you something very stale or not, when I repeat the words used by his headquarters in London to describe Mr. Johnston: at any rate I give you the story as it was told to me. The needs of Kowloon had been put before the Moderator; he ran over a limited number of names and then said "Of course, there's Horace Johnston." "Oh, Don't you know, we call him our 'saver of lost causes' and he's just as good at building up new ones." Comment is needless. Mr. Johnston came out to Kowloon and now after some eight years of labour he has the satisfaction of seeing a live church, and to-night we are celebrating the opening of the completed full set of premises—Church, Manse and School Hall.

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Many others have contributed in varying degrees to swell the total volume of work put into all this effort, too many to mention, and as far as I have been able to observe, the effort has been no distributed, as to make it a delicate matter to mention even a few prominent names. Your officers and leaders have worked loyally and well, and put much time and thought into the affairs of this Church. To all those and their ranks of co-workers we tender to-night our heartfelt congratulations and pray that they may long be spared to Kowloon, to carry on this great work they have so successfully started.

Kowloon's Developments.

Mr. P. C. Mow Fung, in speaking on behalf of the Kowloon Residents' Association, gave a comprehensive review of the phenomenal development of Kowloon during the last decade. He said:

Referring first of all to the population, I am glad that the

publishing of the preliminary census report this morning opportunely enables me to avoid any guess work. It comes as no surprise to me to learn that the population of Kowloon has more than doubled during the last decade, and it is a significant point that the population of the Island of Hongkong has only increased by about 22%.

What is most noticeable perhaps in the tremendous increase in the number of buildings; during the last ten years the number of new dwelling houses erected being round about 6,000. To make place for these, ranges of hills have been levelled down, marshy tracts have been reclaimed, and what were once vast areas of waste land are now well ordered streets and avenues. There is no sign of this new building construction abating; in Kowloon and New Kowloon, wherever one may turn today he will see new building in course of erection.

The last decade has seen the construction or completion of our 66½ miles road around the New Territories, one of the most picturesque motor drives in the Far East.

In 1921, the fastest method of traversing the Peninsula either to

the North-western or North-eastern extremity was an hour's ride in a ricksha; to-day we can boast one of the finest Motor Bus services in the world, which enables one to go over the same distance in less than twenty minutes.

The Ferries.

Ten years ago, the ferries between Hongkong and the different points of the Peninsula (other than the Star Ferry) were but tiny obsolete launches running infrequently and irregularly; to-day they are up-to-date commodious vessels operating at regular intervals and carrying approximately 60,000 people to and fro daily. Not being a fortunate shareholder in the Star Ferry Company, I can say without bias that its service is one of the finest of its kind in the world; its neat, clean, comfortable ferries make on an average 256 trips each day, and carry an average of 30,000 passengers daily.

We will next take the progress made by one of our principal public utility companies—The China Light and Power Co. In the year 1920, under 4,000,000 units of current were sold, while in 1930, ten years ago, Kowloon Old City and the districts beyond Samshui were too far distant to be supplied with modern lighting facilities; even the most optimistic Director of the Company then never dreamed that to-day there is well in hand the laying of a circuit to supply electric current to the whole of the New Territories, which is already completed as far as Taipei.

The influence of Kowloon on the commercial life of the Colony is not to be passed over lightly. Here we have the principal wharves, where the largest ships afford easy berth alongside with perfect safety. I wonder how many of you realize the enormous amount of cargo landed at these wharves the cargo landed at Kowloon is considerably over 1,000,000 tons annually, while the quantity handled in and from Kowloon annually is over 2,000,000 tons. Ten years ago, there were no banking facilities whatever on this side; I doubt whether there was even a money-changer. To-day the Kowloon branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation serves many a resident a trip over to the Island; the Bank of East Asia and the National Commercial Savings Bank also have branches in Kowloon.

Hotel accommodation in Kowloon to-day equals if not exceeds that in Hongkong both as regards quality and quantity. The Chinese hotels and restaurants on this side vie very closely with those in the famous Shek-tung-tai quarter, while of the European hotels, we have situated in Kowloon, one of the finest hotels in the world the Peninsula Hotel.

Places of amusement of which there were hardly any ten years ago are now plentiful. In all the suburban districts, Mongkok, Samshui, Hung Hom, Kowloon City—are to be found well patronized cinema theatres, while in the urban area we have several larger up-to-date theatres; the latest addition to which is the Prince's Theatre on Nathan Road.

Government Institutions. Government institutions have also naturally advanced in unison with the general progress. During the past decade, four new up-to-date Police Stations have been built, and apparently the air of

RIOTS IN EGYPT.

MOB ATTACKS TRAIN AND BLOCKS LINE.

Cairo, Apr. 17. One demonstrator was killed, three were wounded and seven were otherwise injured, while thirteen policemen were slightly wounded, in a riot at Dekernes, in Upper Egypt.

A train bearing a number of notable persons bound for Mansura to attend a reception in honour of the Prime Minister, was stopped and looted by a mob, and the passengers were forced to alight. Police reinforcements were summoned, but meanwhile the crowd detached the engine and blocked the line.

The police were greeted with a volley of stones, and fired on and dispersed the demonstrators.—Reuters.

Kowloon is the most suitable in which to train all young Police recruits, as the Training School which was once in Hongkong is now settled down in permanent quarters at the corner of Nathan and Prince Edward Roads. Ten years ago, it was necessary to take all offenders of the law in Kowloon to Hongkong for trial, but now Kowloon has a Magistracy of its own. The last decade has seen the opening of the Kowloon Hospital, and although the present buildings comprising it are no buildings comprising it, the thing much to boast about, the situation is ideal, the grounds are extensive and the site is capable of being developed into the finest hospital in the Far East. But there is one Government institution which has not kept pace with the times; it is the same to-day as it was more than ten years ago. I refer to the Kowloon Main Post Office. Situated as it is almost next door to the stately Peninsula Hotel, this diminutive rural-looking Post Office must be a source of wonder and amusement to the modern tourists who land at Kowloon on their first visit to the Colony.

With regard to Educational institutions, it is impossible to estimate without access to the Director of Education's register the large number of new Chinese schools opened during the past ten years. Along Nathan Road alone, there can be counted no less than 20. Of the larger institutions, there are at least five, the principal of which is the Diocesan Boys School. The extensive premises of the La Salle College off Prince Edward Road are nearing completion, and we hope before long to see in reality the new Central British School, the preparation of the site for which is now well in hand.

Morality and Integrity. Last but not least we come to the Christian churches and churches, said the speaker, making mention of the rapid growth of Kowloon during the last ten years, and he commented that the new Kowloon Union Church was the latest addition to the prominent edifices which were adorning the Peninsula. The K.R.A. were particularly delighted to view this new building, as through it would be inculcated the spirit of morality, integrity, and self-sacrifice, which would make for good citizens, and a deeper sense of their responsibilities to Kowloon.

The Rev. H. Giesse added his congratulations and said the sincerest wish of the Basel Mission was that God would prosper the great work being carried on

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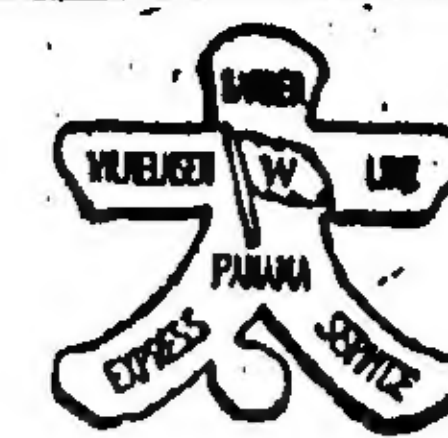
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Hongkong, 16th April, 1931.

by the Union Church in Kowloon, and would guide them to even greater efforts in the future. Kindly sentiments were also expressed by the Rev. W. Walton Rogers on behalf of the St. Andrew's Church, and Mr. J. H. Hunt, O.B.E., on behalf of the European Y.M.C.A.

A happy evening terminated with a vote of thanks to the artists, the visitors and those who had made the arrangements for the evening and the serving of refreshments, this being proposed by the Rev. J. J. Horne Johnston, who also took the opportunity of returning thanks for the generous references made that evening to his ministry.



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KASHMIR	8,985	8th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,956	8th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
RANPURA	16,601	22nd May	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	5th June	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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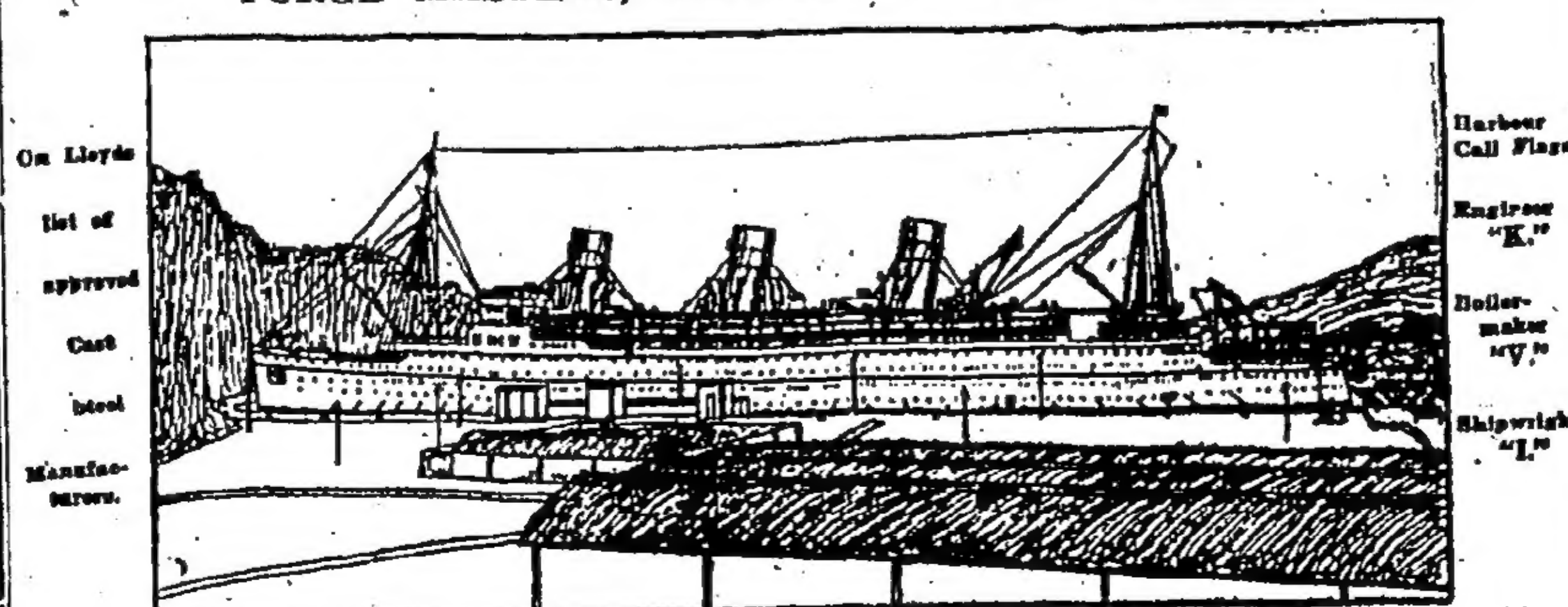
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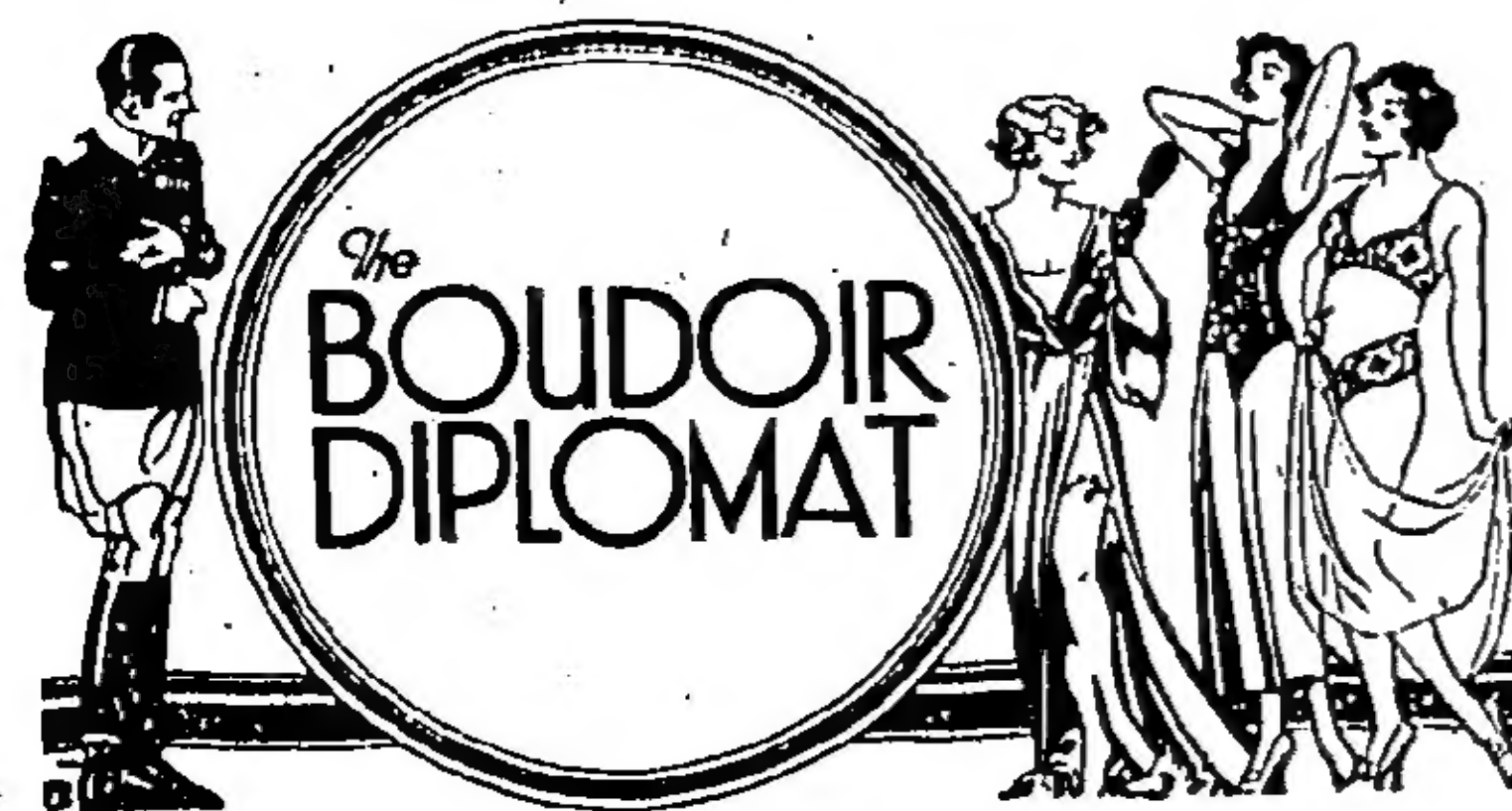
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NAVAL SQUADRON SHORTLY
RETURNING.

Canton, Apr. 17.
It is reported that the 4th Naval Squadron, Marine Corps, under General Chen Ting, which has been stationed at Hainan Island since the latter part of 1930 for the suppression of bandit activities, has completed its task and restored conditions to normality.

The squadron has been ordered by Admiral Chan Chak to return to Canton on the 20th inst. In the gunboats Fook-on and Hoi-shui. After short leave, the marines will be detailed for a further course in training prior to being reappointed for service.—Our Own Correspondent.

SOVIET SHIPPING PROGRAMME.

IMMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION
OF BIG FLEET.

Riga, Apr. 17.
The Soviet Union has decided to undertake the immediate construction of a big mercantile fleet.

The Council of Labour has instructed the Supreme Economic Council to guarantee the construction of forty-four ships of a total tonnage of 170,000, as well as four oil-tankers and a number of smaller craft.

The programme is to be completed before the end of 1931. The plans for 1932 include the construction of ship-building yards, floating docks, etc. —Enter.

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FRANKLIN MEDAL FOR THE
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London, Apr. 17.
Sir F. W. Dyson, the astronomer Royal, is leaving England to-morrow for the United States where next month he will be presented with the Franklin Medal for research into Physical Science—one of the highest honours open to scientists in the world.—British Wireless.

AFRICAN CHIEFS FOR ENGLAND.

VISIT IN CONNEXION WITH
CLOSER UNION.

A BIG PROGRAMME.

London, Apr. 17.
The Joint Select Committee which is considering the question of closer union in East Africa, is shortly to take evidence from native witnesses selected to represent various tribes and sections of opinion in Kenya, Uganda and the Mandated Territory of Tanganyika. The native Government of Buganda has also sent a witness.

The witnesses, who represent more than ten million natives in East Africa, and are for the most part Chiefs or members of Native Councils, will arrive in England on April 22nd and will stay about three weeks.

During their stay they will fulfil an extensive programme, including visits to London Docks, Croydon Airport, Schools of Forestry and Agricultural at Oxford, besides sight-seeing and a number of engagements.

A section of the party will go to Lancashire to study the cotton industry. It is hoped that as well as facilitating the work of the Committee the visit will prove of instructive value to the natives.—British Wireless.

RECLUSE'S SECRET WEDDING.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Solicitors in London recently requested the Hayward family to present proof of their lineage, so that the Blake estate, for which there are no claimants, might be settled.

Nanking Seminary's Position.

Up to the present, there is no news regarding the effect of these discoveries on the bequest to the Nanking Seminary, the officials of which have been planning to build a large central institution in Nanking. They had been previously informed of the probability of the bequest and their plans had been mapped out long ahead of Miss Wendel's death.

NEW RECORD FOR PACIFIC.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN DOES
FINE RUN.

The local office of the Canadian Pacific Steamship, Ltd., has just received telegraphic advices stating that the Empress of Japan has broken her previous speed record crossing the Pacific Ocean, from Yokohama to Victoria by seven hours, two minutes, twenty hours, time being seven days, twenty hours and sixteen minutes for the voyage leaving Yokohama April 9th.

Her previous record was established on the voyage from Yokohama February 12th last, the time being eight days three hours and eighteen minutes.

It is interesting to note that on this occasion she had on board the Siamese Royal Party.

TRADE MISSION TO CANADA.

LEAVING LONDON TO-DAY TO
STUDY CONDITIONS.

London, Apr. 17.
The Federation of British Industries Trade Mission to Canada—the first Mission of its kind to be dispatched by a representative body of British industry—is leaving London to-morrow.

Consisting of Sir James Lithgow, Sir Arthur Duckham and Mr. Moir Mackenzie, its object is to stimulate inter-imperial trade by a study of conditions and an exchange of views with leading Canadian business men.—British Wireless.

EMPIRE MARKETING BOARD.

NON-PARTY COMMITTEE
TO CONSIDER.

London, Apr. 17.
In accordance with the decisions of the last Imperial Conference, the Government has appointed a Committee to consider the organization of an Empire Marketing Board consisting of representatives of all parties. Mr. William Lunn, Under Secretary for the Dominions, will be Chairman.—British Wireless.

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